

DAILY BANGLADESH WATCH

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Takeaways

Politics

- ❖ **Salahuddin orders police crackdown on ‘fascist’ forces seeking to destabilise country:** Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed has directed police to take firm action against supporters of the previous “fascist” government if they try to destabilise the country. He gave the instruction at a police medal ceremony on Saturday, calling on officers to act independently and in accordance with the law. Referring to supporters of the previous Awami League government, Salahuddin said: “If they try to destabilise the country, you will suppress them with a firm hand. You will perform your duties independently and in accordance with the law.” He also urged police personnel at all levels to carry out their responsibilities properly and professionally. Salahuddin alleged that the police force, like other state institutions, had been misused by what he described as the “fallen fascist regime” and turned against the people. “Some people are secretly assisting the fascist forces by providing intelligence. We have information and reports about this,” he said. He said the government was giving such people an opportunity to correct themselves. If any police officer fails to understand the expectations of the people, the consequences will not be good (*bdnews24.com*, [26 September 2026](#); *Prothom Alo*, [26 September 2026](#)).
- ❖ **Police raid JaSaD office, detain scores over alleged AL meeting:** Police detained scores of people in a sweeping raid on the Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JaSaD) headquarters in Dhaka’s Gulistan on Saturday, alleging that leaders and activists of the Awami League -- whose political activities remain banned -- had gathered there for a “secret meeting”, a claim JaSaD rejected. The operation unfolded after BNP and Jubo Dal activists surrounded and entered the JaSaD office, alleging that Awami League members were holding a clandestine gathering there. Police later moved into the building and began taking people away, turning what JaSaD said was a scheduled representatives’ meeting into a major law-enforcement operation in the heart of the capital. Dhaka Metropolitan Police officials initially put the number detained at more than 100, although Jubo Dal leaders claimed that at least 95 had been taken away as the operation continued. Police said the identities and alleged involvement of those detained were still being verified. A Dhaka court on Sunday sent 27 people to jail who were arrested from the office of the Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JaSaD). Police have released 249 of the 278 people detained from the Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal (JaSaD) office in Dhaka, while 29 remain in custody for identity checks. Police raided the office in Paltan on Saturday after receiving information that members of the Awami League, which is banned from carrying out political activities, had gathered there for a “secret meeting”. JaSaD denied the allegation. Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed has pushed back against criticism of the raid on the Jatiya Samajtantrik Dal-JaSaD office in Dhaka’s Gulistan, saying it was not intended to “harass” anyone. The minister said the raid followed information that some members of the banned Awami League had gathered there to plan sabotage. Most of those detained have since been released, he said at a press conference at the home ministry on Sunday (*Dhaka Tribune*, [26 September 2026](#); [27 September 2026](#); *bdnews24.com*, [27 September 2026](#), [27 September 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Colours, fireworks as Awami League holds birthday march for Hasina in Dhanmondi:** Several hundred Awami League leaders and activists have marched through Dhaka's Dhanmondi, dancing, spraying colours and setting off fireworks to mark party chief Sheikh Hasina's birthday. The procession took place on Road No. 27 around 12:15pm on Saturday, with participants carrying colourful banners and chanting slogans for Hasina, the Awami League and Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. Rafiqul Islam Rony, a tea stall owner in the area, said several hundred people joined the procession. **"They were chanting, 'Happy, happy, happy day, Sheikh Hasina's birthday. Joy Bangla, Joy Bangabandhu,'" he told bdnews24.com. "They were also spraying colours on each other and setting off fireworks."** (*bdnews24.com*, [26 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Police break up 'Joy Bangla' march in Dhanmondi, 3 detained:** Leaders and activists of the Awami League, whose activities have been banned, staged a brief procession in Dhaka's Dhanmondi, with police reporting four crude bomb explosions. The procession took place around 12:15pm on Saturday in the Dhanmondi Road No. 27 area, according to Dhanmondi Police Station chief Muhammad Imdadul Islam. "A group of people gathered to hold a procession and police dispersed them," he said. "Three people were detained from the scene." **A video of the incident shows a group marching along the road chanting "Joy Bangla". Witnesses said the procession began near Ibn Sina Hospital and continued towards the Bata outlet on Road 27, where police gave chase.** Several crude bombs were exploded at the time, according to the witnesses. The Dhanmondi incident comes about two weeks after Awami League leaders and activists and members of its affiliated organisations attempted a similar procession in the capital's Gulshan on Sept 11 (*bdnews24.com*, [26 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Health centre demolished at midnight in Dhaka:** The Radda MCH-FP Centre in Mirpur 1, Dhaka, was vandalised and looted at midnight after tying up security guards. More than 200 masked men entered the centre carrying locally made weapons and first held two security guards hostage. They then looted valuable equipment, medicines, vaccines, cash and other belongings. Later, the entire facility, including one concrete and three semi-concrete buildings, was demolished using heavy machinery. The vandalism took place around midnight on Thursday. The attack was carried out under the banner of an organisation called **"Sammona Dokandar Samabaya Samiti Limited"**. Two factions of the local BNP had allegedly been trying to take control of the land for a long time. On Thursday night, one faction took control of it under the name Sammona Dokandar Samabaya Samiti Limited. Shah Ali police have arrested four people over the vandalism and looting at the Radda MCH-FP Centre in Mirpur-1 in the capital at midnight after tying up security guards. **Information has emerged about several local figures involved in gathering the attackers, supplying locally made weapons and equipment, and arranging an excavator used to demolish the Radda MCH-FP Centre, a mother and child health centre in Mirpur, Dhaka. They are associated with local BNP politics.** Before the attack, miscreants gathered in front of their offices and later went from there to attack the health centre. **Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed has termed sweeping, content creator Salman Muqtadir's accusation of 'extortion' against the BNP in connection to the attack and vandalism of his studio.** Citing preliminary investigations, he mentioned that Salman Muqtadir appears to have been 'victimised' in the incident. The Home Minister made these remarks to journalists at the Secretariat on Sunday (Prothom Alo, [25 September 2026](#); [26 September 2026](#); [27 September 2026](#); [28 September 2026](#)).

- ◆ **TIB says Extortion, encroachment warning signs for govt, ruling party:** Transparency International Bangladesh on Sunday expressed concern over recent incidents of alleged extortion, encroachment, vandalism and internal clashes involving leaders and activists of the ruling Bangladesh Nationalist Party, saying such incidents could undermine public confidence in the government. **In a statement sent to the media, TIB executive director Iftekharuzzaman called for prompt investigations into the incidents and exemplary punishment of those found responsible, along with a nationwide ‘self-purification’ drive within the ruling party.** TIB referred to reports that the Radda MCH-FP Centre, a non-profit organisation providing healthcare to disadvantaged women and children, was looted, vandalised and encroached upon at midnight allegedly in the presence of police and with the support of a reserved-seat lawmaker. Iftekharuzzaman described the incident as an ‘embarrassing example’ for the government and the ruling party. He questioned what message such incidents were sending to citizens after the BNP received a mandate in the election following the July uprising. According to TIB, a section of BNP leaders and activists has faced widespread allegations of extortion, encroachment and attempts to establish dominance since the political change in August 2024 (*New Age*, [27 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Constitution amendment bill likely in January, referendum proposed:** The government plans to introduce a bill to amend the Constitution in Parliament's first session in January next year, with a special committee aiming to submit its recommendations by December. **The proposed amendments may include provisions requiring a referendum on key constitutional changes, including amendments to the Constitution's preamble, Article 142 and provisions relating to the caretaker government system.** Home Minister and Chairman of the Special Committee on Constitution Amendment Salahuddin Ahmed said the proposed amendments requiring a referendum would be put to a public vote before receiving the president's assent. He made the remarks at a press briefing following a meeting of the committee at the National Parliament Building on Sunday. Salahuddin said the committee was working to submit its report to Parliament by December. Based on the report, the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs would prepare and introduce the amendment bill (*Dhaka Tribune*, [27 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Hefazat forms committee to unite seven Islamic parties:** A liaison committee has been formed to coordinate efforts to forge unity among seven Qawmi-based Islamic parties, with Hefazat-e-Islam Secretary General Sajidur Rahman named its convener. The decision was taken at a meeting between Hefazat leaders and representatives of the seven parties at Al-Jamiatul Islamia Azizul Uloom Babunagar Madrasa in Fatikchhari, Chattogram, yesterday. Hefazat Ameer Muhibbullah Babunagari chaired the meeting. **The parties are Islami Andolan Bangladesh, Bangladesh Khilafat Majlis, Khilafat Majlis, Jamiat Ulama-e-Islam Bangladesh, Bangladesh Khilafat Andolan, Islami Oikya Jote and Bangladesh Nezam-e-Islam Party.** The committee will hold its first meeting in Dhaka on October 22, Hefazat-e-Islam Joint Secretary General Azizul Haque Islamabadi said. **He said the parties currently hold different political positions. Some are aligned with the BNP, some with the Jamaat-led alliance, while others are operating independently. “Hefazat, as an umbrella organisation, wants to create unity among them so that they can jointly resist activities they consider contrary to Islamic values,” he said.** The committee, headed by Sajidur Rahman, will include two other senior Hefazat leaders and three representatives from each of the seven parties (*The Daily Star*, [28 September 2026](#)).

Economy

- ◆ **Tarique meets Kuwait crown prince, discusses trade, manpower ties:** Prime Minister Tarique Rahman has met with Kuwait's Crown Prince Sheikh Sabah Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Mubarak Al-Sabah in New York, with the two leaders discussing ways to deepen bilateral ties in trade, investment, manpower and economic cooperation. The meeting took place on Friday morning, local time, at Kuwait's Permanent Mission in New York, according to the Prime Minister's Office. Tarique is in New York to attend the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly. His meeting with the Kuwaiti crown prince had been listed among his bilateral engagements during the visit. **The two leaders exchanged views on a range of issues of mutual interest, including the recruitment of Bangladeshi workers, expansion of trade and investment, and stronger economic cooperation.** Tarique also recalled the role of former president Ziaur Rahman and former prime minister Khaleda Zia in developing relations between the two nations (*bdnews24.com*, [26 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Swapon says Strengthening China ties priority for Bangladesh's economic revival:** Strengthening strategic and economic ties with China is one of Bangladesh's top priorities to revive and propel the national economy said political adviser to the prime minister Zahir Uddin Swapon on Sunday. He made the remarks at a reception held at a hotel in the capital in honour of a high-level visiting delegation from China. Zhao Junmin, standing committee member of the CPC Yunnan Provincial Committee, is leading the visiting delegation. **Emphasising the urgency of narrowing the trade deficit, he highlighted that while Bangladesh imports over \$22 billion worth of goods from China annually, its exports to China remain under \$1 billion. To address this substantial trade gap, the Chinese government has granted nearly 100% duty-free market access for Bangladeshi products, alongside allocating a free display center and a 2,000-square-kilometer storage facility in Kunming, Yunnan Province. He further added that opening a new economic corridor connecting Kunming through Myanmar to Chittagong Port and surrounding road networks would introduce a new dynamic to the trade and economies of both nations** (New Age, [27 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **ADB approves \$100m loan to expand affordable, resilient housing finance:** The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a \$100 million concessional loan to expand access to affordable and resilient housing finance for low- and middle-income borrowers in Bangladesh, particularly women. **The Inclusive Affordable Housing Finance Project will channel financing through Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation (PKSF) and eligible microfinance institutions (MFIs) to provide long-term, collateral-free microfinance loans that will help families construct, repair, and upgrade their houses.** The project will address a significant shortage of safe and affordable housing and limited access to housing finance for households with informal incomes who are not typically served by conventional mortgage lenders, said an ADB press release (*BSS News*, [27 September 2026](#)).

Foreign Policy

- ◆ **Bangladesh calls for equitable use of shared waters, water security:** Bangladesh has called for equitable and reasonable use of shared water resources and urged international partners to turn water security commitments into concrete, measurable action. Dr Saimum Parvez, special assistant to the prime minister on Environment, Forest and Climate Change Affairs, made the call at a high-level event titled "United for Water: A Call for Collective Action" at UN headquarters in New York on Friday. Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia organized the event on the sidelines of the 81st Session of the United Nations General Assembly to focus on water security, climate change and cooperation in managing shared water resources. **“Water connects us. It sustains people, economies and ecosystems. It crosses borders and underpins shared prosperity,”** Dr Parvez said in his opening remarks. He also highlighted the Government’s priority on water and environmental resilience as central pillars of national development. On regional cooperation, he said: **“Bangladesh calls for sustained dialogue among riparian countries, equitable and reasonable use of shared waters, transparent data sharing and stronger international partnerships”** (*Dhaka Tribune*, [25 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **PM, Saudi FM discuss expanding Saudi investment in Bangladesh:** Prime Minister Tarique Rahman and Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Faisal bin Farhan bin Abdullah Al Saud on Saturday discussed economic cooperation between the two countries and the potential for expanding Saudi investment in Bangladesh. The meeting was held at the UN Bilateral Booth (GAL-7) at the United Nations Headquarters in the afternoon local time on the sidelines of the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), said PM’s Assistant Press Secretary KM Nazmul Haque. **During the meeting, the two sides exchanged views on bilateral cooperation, trade and investment, manpower, development cooperation and regional and international issues of mutual interest.** The prime minister laid emphasis on further deepening and expanding the existing friendly relations between Bangladesh and Saudi Arabia, including through greater economic engagement and investment (*Dhaka Tribune*, [26 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Bangladesh, US sign strategic civil nuclear cooperation agreement:** Bangladesh and the United States have signed a strategic civilian nuclear cooperation agreement aimed at the peaceful use of civilian nuclear energy. Rehan Asad, prime minister’s adviser on science and technology, signed the agreement on behalf of Bangladesh, while US Under Secretary for Economic Affairs Jacob Helberg signed on behalf of the United States. **The Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP)’s media cell announced this on its verified Facebook page on Saturday. According to diplomatic sources, the agreement was signed as part of a continuation of the nuclear cooperation initiative that began in 1981 during the rule of President Ziaur Rahman. The agreement will increase technical exchanges, nuclear safety and scientific cooperation in the civilian energy sector between Dhaka and Washington.** On August 3, State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shama Obaed Islam said Bangladesh views the US proposal on civil nuclear cooperation positively, stressing that any engagement with Washington will be considered if it serves the interests of the people of Bangladesh. She said the government's approach remains “positive”, and any bilateral agreement with the United

States will be considered based on Bangladesh's national interest (*Prothom Alo*, [26 September 2026](#); *Dhaka Tribune*, [26 September 2026](#)).

- ◆ **PM holds 30 engagements, talks with 11 countries during New York visit:** Prime Minister Tarique Rahman held a total of 30 official engagements, including bilateral meetings with 11 countries, during his four-day New York visit to attend the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA), said Prime Minister's Adviser and PMO spokesperson Mahdi Amin on Friday. **Bangladesh's national interests, trade and investment, manpower exports, energy security, regional cooperation, the Rohingya crisis, health, climate change and international peace featured prominently in the meetings and engagements, Mahdi Amin told a press briefing at the Bangladesh Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York tonight local time.** He said the prime minister took part in eight UNGA-related engagements, four high-level events on the sidelines of the UNGA, 11 bilateral meetings and several other meetings with international organisations and prominent personalities during his four-day visit (*Prothom Alo*, [26 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Bangladesh and India should decide on Hasina issue together, US says:** The United States has expressed the "hope" that Bangladesh and India will decide together on the issue of ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina, who has been sentenced to death for crimes against humanity. Washington says it has not yet given a specific opinion on what should happen to Hasina. A US State Department official outlined the Trump administration's position at an "on-background" briefing in New York on Wednesday. The briefing, titled "US Policy in Support of a Stable, Prosperous and Sovereign South Asia," was held at the New York Foreign Press Center. It was attended by journalists from Bangladesh, India, Nepal, and Sri Lanka, including representatives from bdnews24.com. **Asked about the US's position on the Awami League ban, the official said: "I do not want to speak about the internal politics of Bangladesh, but I would like to say that our relations with Bangladesh, with the BNP, are in a very good place** (*bdnews24.com*, [26 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Times of Indian reports Efforts underway to schedule Tarique Rahman's India visit in Nov:** India and Bangladesh are looking to schedule a visit by Bangladesh Prime Minister Tarique Rahman to India in the third week of November, sources said, after an earlier attempt to arrange the visit was aborted. Efforts to reschedule the visit are expected to gather pace following the arrival of Bangladesh's new High Commissioner to India, Asad Alam Siam, in the last week of October or early November. **For Dhaka, however, the key concern that could determine whether the visit takes place is the unresolved issue of former prime minister Sheikh Hasina's extradition.** Tarique Rahman's birthday greetings to Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and Modi's prompt response, appear to have boosted the likelihood of an early finalisation of dates for the visit (*Daily Sun*, [27 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Tarique plans to visit Japan, Turkey, Saudi in coming months, India not in sight:** Prime minister Tarique Rahman is likely to make three foreign visits between October and November this year, with planned trips to Japan and Saudi Arabia for bilateral engagements and to Turkey to attend the UN climate conference. While some Indian media have reported a possible visit by Tarique to India in November, following earlier reports of a possible trip in late August, Bangladesh's foreign ministry officials have given no indication of such a

visit. The planned trips would come after three major overseas visits by Tarique since he assumed office in February this year. **Foreign ministry officials said the prime minister may visit Japan in the latter half of October at the invitation of Japanese Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi.** Foreign ministry officials said Saudi Crown Prince and prime minister Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud had invited Tarique to Saudi Arabia to further strengthen bilateral relations. Tarique's visit to Turkey is scheduled for November 11–12 to attend the 31st UN Climate Change Conference, or COP31, in Antalya. The conference will be held from November 9 to 20, while Tarique is expected to attend the high-level segment, which will be attended by heads of governments (*New Age*, [27 September 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Bangladesh and India share more rivers than the official list shows:** According to government records, Bangladesh has 57 transboundary rivers. Of these, 54 are shared rivers with India according to the list of the Joint Rivers Commission, Bangladesh, while the remaining three are shared with Myanmar. In reality, however, there are many more rivers that flow through both Bangladesh and India. No one can say for sure as to how many there are in total. After collecting information on rivers through field visits, I found that many rivers flowing through both Bangladesh and India are not included in the list of transboundary rivers. I then tried to find out how many rivers there are in Rangpur Division beyond those on the official list. **According to the commonly used list of 54 rivers, 18 flow through Rangpur Division. According to my count, 46 rivers in Rangpur Division remain outside official recognition. I have also found another 10 rivers in the division that do not appear on the lists of either the National River Conservation Commission or the Ministry of Water Resources. It is not only rivers flowing from India into Bangladesh that have been left out of the list. Many rivers originate in Bangladesh and flow into India as well. The commonly used list mentions only the Kulik as a river that originates in Bangladesh and flows into India. The fact that Bangladesh has failed to identify the number of transboundary rivers even 55 years after independence raises serious questions. This task should essentially have been undertaken immediately after Partition in 1947. It is important for the government to know how many rivers flow from India into Bangladesh and how many flow from Bangladesh into India. This accounting is particularly important for Bangladesh because India is the upstream country. If the list of transboundary rivers is not clearly established, India has an opportunity to withdraw water from rivers at will. The Kaljani, Gadadhar and Gangadhar in Kurigram are all major rivers. If they are not included in the Joint Rivers Commission's list, India could argue, when withdrawing water, that these rivers are not even recognised as transboundary rivers. These rivers therefore need official recognition so that there is no scope for such an argument** (*Prothom Alo*, [27 September 2026](#)).

Security

- ◆ **US, Bangladesh air forces hold talks to strengthen defence partnership:** The US Pacific Air Force (PACAF) and the Oregon Air National Guard joined the Bangladesh Air Force for an Airman-to-Airman Talk (A2AT) to strengthen the US-Bangladesh defence partnership, the US Embassy in Dhaka said in a Facebook post on Sunday. The embassy said the A2AT serves as a key bilateral forum for the two sides to align their priorities and activities. The development comes amid continued defence engagement between Bangladesh and the United States. US Ambassador to Bangladesh Brent T Christensen recently discussed existing relations

and defence cooperation with Chief of Army Staff General Waqar-uz-Zaman during a meeting in Dhaka (*Daily Sun*, [27 September 2026](#)).

- ◆ **Bangladesh, Australia discuss strengthening military cooperation:** Bangladesh and Australia today discussed ways to strengthen military cooperation between the armed forces of the two countries. The issue came up during a meeting between Australia's Deputy Chief of Army Major General Chris Smith and Prime Minister's Defence Adviser Brigadier General (retd) Dr AKM Shamsul Islam at the Armed Forces Division (AFD) in Dhaka Cantonment. "During the meeting, the two sides discussed Bangladesh-Australia's longstanding and friendly bilateral relations, with particular emphasis on strengthening cooperation between the two countries' armed forces," said an ISPR press release issued here this afternoon. The two sides exchanged views on enhancing the professional capabilities of their armed forces, bilateral training programmes, technical cooperation and strategic communication. They also stressed greater mutual participation in advanced military training and skills-development programmes to address the challenges of modern warfare (*BSS News*, [27 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Singapore wants to provide border security assistance to Bangladesh:** Outgoing Singaporean Chargé d'Affaires has expressed his country's interest in providing modern technology and technical assistance to strengthen Bangladesh's border and immigration security. **Outgoing Chargé d'Affaires of Singapore Mitchel Lee said this during a courtesy call on Home Minister Salahuddin Ahmed at his Home Ministry office in the Bangladesh Secretariat today, a PID handout said. During the meeting, they discussed the issues of bilateral relations, capacity building of the Bangladesh Police, modernisation of security systems at airports and land ports, technology transfer, economic and trade cooperation, and other issues of mutual interest.** Lee highlighted Singapore's willingness to support Bangladesh in adopting modern technology for border and immigration security, as well as providing technical assistance in these areas. The minister also expressed hope that cooperation between the two countries would expand through joint efforts to combat extremism, police training and transfer of technologies (*BSS News*, [27 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **Indian national put on four-day remand over 'suspected subversive plot':** A Dhaka court on Sunday sent Indian national Rabiul Islam on a fresh four-day remand after he was arrested from the capital on suspicion of involvement in a cognisable offence and "subversive activities" in Bangladesh. Police detained him from the ground floor of a house at 60, Road 13, Sector 11, Uttara West, acting on a tip-off on 23 September. Later, the court placed him on a four-day remand on the same day. Police claimed that Rabiul is an Indian national and had been staying in Bangladesh since 14 September. During preliminary interrogation, he produced an Indian passport as proof of his citizenship. However, verification of his Indian passport, driving licence and national identity card revealed discrepancies in his date of birth, according to the police (*Daily Sun*, [27 September 2026](#)).
- ◆ **BSF push-in attempt foiled along Jhenaidah border:** MEMBERS of the Border Guard Bangladesh foiled an attempt by India's Border Security Force to push an unidentified man into Bangladesh through the Maheshpur border in Jhenaidah on Sunday. **The attempt was made around 10:45am through a gate near border pillar No 60/98-R in the Khosalpur border outpost area under the 58 BGB Battalion, according to a BGB press release. Members of**

the 194 BSF Battalion's Ramnagar camp were trying to push the man into Bangladesh when a BGB patrol spotted them. The BGB members then prevented the man from entering Bangladesh. The man was later seen near the barbed-wire fence on the Indian side of the border, the BGB said. Munshi Imdadur Rahman, assistant director of the Maheshpur 58 BGB Battalion, said that the attempt had been foiled due to the vigilance of BGB members (*New Age*, [28 September 2026](#)).

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