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On 30 November 2025, Sunday at 3:00 PM, a preparatory coordination meeting was held at the Conference Room of the Election Commission Secretariat, Election Bhavan, in view of the upcoming 13th National Parliamentary Election and the Referendum. The meeting was presided over by the Honourable Chief Election Commissioner, Mr A. M. M. Nasir Uddin, with the Honourable Election Commissioners in attendance.

The meeting discussed in detail the overall preparations related to recruitment, logistics, security, transportation, technology, healthcare, legal support, weather monitoring, postal and communication systems, international coordination, and field-level management. The Election Commission sought active cooperation from all concerned agencies to ensure transparency, fairness, and uninterrupted management of the election. Various ministries, divisions, Bangladesh Bank, postal and telecommunications authorities, information and broadcasting, local government, the health sector, the Armed Forces Division, the Meteorological Department, Civil Aviation Authority, and other institutions presented their preparations and reached a consensus on the required coordination and support.

It was stated in the meeting that the upcoming national election will be the largest-scale election of 2026, which the Honourable Chief Advisor has described as the "Election of the Century." In this context, emphasis was placed on advancing all remaining activities with greater caution, diligence, and close coordination. The Election Commission reiterated the need for a realistic work plan and inter-agency coordination, given that three major activities, which are the national election, the referendum, and expatriate voting, are to be conducted simultaneously.

Ballot Printing, Supervision, and Administrative Preparations

It was briefed that the responsibility for ballot paper printing has been distributed between the Government Press and the Army Security Printing Press. To strengthen oversight of the Government Press, necessary instructions have been given to the Senior Secretary of the Ministry of Public Administration, and the Armed Forces Division has been tasked with supervising expatriate ballots. Instructions were issued prohibiting all forms of undesirable conduct during the election period, including accepting hospitality from local influential persons. Allowances and other facilities for officials will be reasonably considered so they may carry out their duties independently and without any pressure.

Expat Voter Registration, Outreach, and Coordination Framework

It was informed that expatriate voter registration has resumed following the resolution of earlier technical issues. The address entry format has been corrected, and an 'Edit Option' has been activated to allow necessary amendments. To increase expat participation, Bangladesh

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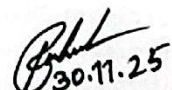
Television (BTV) and Sangsad TV, along with private TV channels, have been requested to run information-based awareness campaigns. Additionally, a central coordination framework including the Election Commission, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of Expatriates' Welfare, and other relevant agencies has been proposed.

Postal Voting, Security Arrangements, and Field Progress

Instructions have been issued to prepare for collecting information from government employees, election officials, and voters in lawful custody for postal voting within the country. Preparations for launching the In-country Postal Vote App are underway. The Ministry of Home Affairs was identified in the meeting as the lead agency for security-related activities. Reviewing updates received from the field administration over the past month, it was noted that school building repairs and the overall law-and-order situation are satisfactory, with some isolated incidents observed that fall within normal trends.

Mock Voting, Voter Education, and Inclusive Voting Arrangements

Preliminary analysis of the mock voting held last Saturday indicates that increasing the number of designated polling centres may not be necessary. However, to maintain smooth voter flow, arrangements are being considered to include an additional secret booth (stamping area) along with one secret room at each polling booth. Awareness of the referendum, adherence to the code of conduct, prevention of misuse of artificial intelligence, and expatriate registration have been identified as priority issues. Instructions have been given to the local administration to ensure voting access for persons with disabilities, elderly voters, and those with limited mobility.


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