

Cabinet decisions
7.12.71

All members present

1) Distribution of Portfolios:

Mr. Tajuddin Ahmad - P.M.

- (a) Defence (b) Information, Broadcasting and communication
- (c) Economic Affairs, Planning & Development.
- (d) Education, Local Self-Govt, Health, Labour and Social Welfare
- (e) Establishment and General Administration
- (f) All other subjects not assigned to any other member of the Cabinet

Khanaker Mahlague Shorsh -

- (a) Foreign Affairs
- (b) Law and Parliamentary Affairs

Mr. A. Mansoor Ali -

- (a) Finance & Revenue
- (b) Commerce & Industries
- (c) Transportation

Mr. A. Z. H. Kamaruzzaman -

- (a) Interior
- (b) Supply, Relief & Rehabilitation
- (c) Agriculture

2) Civil employees should be paid their salaries out of the ^{or} funds of Bangla Desh Treasury in accordance with the following rates:-

- (a) Class IV and class III employees - full pay.
- (b) Class II employees = less 25% subject to a maximum of Rs. 400/- Mo.
- (c) Class I employees = less 25% subject to a maximum of Rs. 500/- Mo.

Sr. Secy

- 3) Mr. M.R. Siddiqui is authorized to operate on the Bangla Desh fund available at Eastern Sector for payment of salaries to the civil employees.
It is further decided that Mr. M.R. Siddiqui will kindly render his services as Advisor to the Ministry of Commerce & Industries.
- 4) The local liaison should be contacted for arrangement of an early meeting of the P.M. and F.M. of Bangla Desh with the P.M. of India.
- 5) It is decided that adequate arrangement should be made by the C-in-C in conjunction with the supporting authorities for training of students and youths for various operational tasks in Bangla Desh. Messrs. Ghazal Haq (Koni) Perajul Khan, Jafayel Akhond and Abdur Razzaque are authorized to do the needful in this regard.
- 6) Mr. Mizanur Rahman Chowdhury is entrusted with the job of mobilizing the organizational strength of Awami League for political offensive within Bangla Desh.
- 7) Approved the plan of C-in-C for quick collection of cash from Banks and Treasury vaults of Bangla Desh to prevent its fall into the hands of the enemy. A Board of two officers of the armed forces will collect and hand the cash over to friends in safe zone against proper receipts.
- 8) A bank account should be opened in the personal name of the Finance Minister under the arrangement made with the liaison.

9) In order to co-ordinate and channelize relief operation a Relief Committee is hereby constituted as follows:-

- (1) Relief Minister = Chairman (Ex-officio)
- (2) Prof. M. Yusuf Ali = Secretary.
- (3) Al-haj Zahur Ahmed Chowdhury = Member
- (4) Mr. A. Samad. = "
- (5) Mr. Sohrab Hossain = "

It is decided that a Relief A/c, separate from the general fund, should be opened under the designation of Bangladesh Relief Fund. The Chairman and the Secretary of the Relief Committee will jointly or severally operate on the a/c.

By order of the Secretary
29/4/71.