

Khaleda Zia's bank accounts unfrozen after 17 years

UNB- After 17 years, all bank accounts of former prime minister and BNP chairperson Begum Khaleda Zia have been activated.

In this regard, a letter from the Central Intelligence Cell (CIC) of the National Board of Revenue (NBR) has been sent to Bangladesh Bank (BB) on Monday to activate all bank accounts of Khaleda Zia.

According to NBR and BB sources, the newly appointed chairman of NBR Md. Abdur Rahman Khan after consulting with the Chief Adviser of the interim government Professor Muhammad Yunus, decided to activate Khaleda Zia's bank accounts.

In 2007, former Prime Minister Khaleda Zia's bank accounts were seized during the caretaker government. Later, because of the application through the lawyer, she could withdraw a certain amount of money every month from Rupali Bank's Shaheed Moinul Road branch of Dhaka Cantonment for running regular expenses. Initially, its amount was Tk 2.0 lakh. Later the amount of money gradually increased.

The former caretaker government also seized former Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina's bank accounts in 2007. After she won the election and became the Prime Minister, her account was opened.