

City, Area Planning Bill Okayed
Prior approval
made mandatory
for land use

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The cabinet on Monday, in principle, approved the draft of the 'City and Area Planning Act 2017' with an aim to bring discipline in the country's land management and check misuse of land.

The proposed law has a provision that makes it mandatory for all to take prior approval from the authorities concerned for using any land in the country.

The seal of approval of the draft law was given at a regular cabinet meeting held at the Secretariat with Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in the chair.

After the meeting, Cabinet Secretary Mohammad Shafiul Alam told newsmen that the proposed law is aimed at bringing discipline in the country's land management system and ensure planned use of land.

Elaborating the details, he said there will be a 27-member advisory council headed by the housing and public works minister to give policy support to various institutions involved in the land management.

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