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BANGLADESH NATIONALIST PARTY SAYS WILL FORM GOVERNMENT BY SUNDAY

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The Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) said it would form a new government by Sunday, after winning the first elections since the July 2024 uprising that ousted the government of longtime rival Awami League.

"The government will be formed by Feb. 15. The BNP will go to parliament with all parties," the party's Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir told reporters on Friday while visiting his constituency in the north-western Thakurgaon district.

BNP Chairman Tarique Rahman is likely the party's prime ministerial candidate. He became the party head after the death of his mother and Bangladesh's first female prime minister, Khaleda Zia, in December.

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