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951 NGOs working in the country, JS informed

Some 951 Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs) registered under the foreign donation law, have been working in the country, the Parliament was informed Thursday, reports UNB.

Replying to a written question from Neyamat Ullah, Barrister

Abdus Salam Talukder, Minister in-charge of the Prime Minister's Office in the Parliament, said the government has its full control over these NGOs.

The government controls the activities of these NGOs under the provisions of Foreign Donation (Voluntary Activities) Regulation Ordinance, 1978, he added.

He said the government performs the tasks of providing registration, renewal, project approval, releasing of funds and giving permission to hire foreign experts under the Ordinance through the NGO Affairs Bureau. Moreover, Talukder said, the respective Deputy Commissioners coordinate and supervise their activities at the field level.

He also told the House that legal action can be taken against the NGOs, if they got involved in undesirable and unlawful activities.