

**Consulate General of Bangladesh  
Toronto, Canada**

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**Bangladesh Consulate General Toronto celebrates 50<sup>th</sup> Victory Day**

Bangladesh Consulate General in Toronto celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> Glorious Victory Day on 16 December 2020 with due fervour and solemnity. Consulate officials have organized the Victory Day celebrations maintaining social distance amid Covid-19 lock-down in Toronto.

Celebration of the day began with hoisting Bangladesh National Flag in the morning. The afternoon programme started with paying homage to the martyrs of the War of Liberation and Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman. Video messages of the Hon'ble President and the Hon'ble Prime Minister on occasion of Victory Day were screened. Officials of the Consulate General read-out the speeches of the Hon'ble Foreign Minister and the Hon'ble State Minister for Foreign Affairs. Consul General Nayem Uddin Ahmed delivered speech followed by a documentary on Bangabandhu and Bangladesh. On the 50th Victory Day, the Consulate General formally launched the "Bangabandhu Corner" in the Mission premises.



In his speech, Consul General Nayem Uddin Ahmed said that the present government under the outstanding leadership of the Hon'ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, able daughter of Bangabandhu, is working relentlessly to make Bangladesh a middle-income country by 2021 and a developed and prosperous country by 2041. The last span of the much-anticipated Padma Multipurpose Bridge was laid on 10 December- now a functional Padma Bridge is a matter of time only. Bangladesh Consul General said that Metro Rail is underway, Dhaka-Chittagong four-lane is in operation- construction of Dhaka-Chittagong Expressway and Bullet Train are under active consideration. Today's Bangladesh is an 'Economic Wonder' for the rest of the world, Consul General added.

He stressed in his speech that the 'Sonar Bangla' Bangabandhu had dreamt of, is a secular non-communal Bangladesh. Echoing the words of Hon'ble Prime Minister, the Consul General said Bangladesh is a land of- Lalou Shah, Rabindranath, Kazi Nazrul, Jibananda, Shahjalal, Shah Paran, Shah Makhdum and Khanjahan Ali. To sustain the development miracle took place under the Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina- all we need is a secular society encouraging the objective of our Independence.



Finally, special monajat was offered for the salvation of the departed souls of the martyrs of the liberation war and Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and family members as well as for the continued peace and progress of the country.

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