

Bangladesh Embassy in Turkey
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Bangladesh Embassy Ankara celebrates Bangladesh Armed Forces Day-2020

Press Release-Ankara: 21 November 2020: Bangladesh Embassy, Ankara celebrated Bangladesh Armed Forces Day 2020 with festivity and enthusiasm in the Embassy's Auditorium, Bijoy 71 marking the establishment of the forces during the Liberation War. The programme was arranged in a shorter version, in presence only of all officials and staffs of the Embassy, in strict compliance of Covid-19 restrictions vis-à-vis alarming resurgence of Covid-19 cases in Turkey.

At the beginning of the programme, Messages of Hon'ble President Md. Abdul Hamid and Hon'ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina given on the occasion of the Day, were read out. It was followed by screening a *Documentary on the Armed Forces of Bangladesh*. The Bangladesh Ambassador-designate to Turkey H.E. Mr. Mosud Mannan ndc, in his speech as Chief Guest, paid rich tribute to the valiant armed forces of Bangladesh underlining their contributions and sacrifices during the War of Liberation of Bangladesh. He underscored the undisputed monumental role of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in the Liberation War and Independence of Bangladesh. While highlighting the glorious role of Armed Forces in the War of Liberation, the Ambassador told that Armed forces of Bangladesh is the epitome of pride and trust, who apart from safeguarding the sovereignty of the country, has been playing a praiseworthy role in facing any natural disaster including the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic along with the civil administration. The armed forces are contributing wholeheartedly to the national building and economic development under the able and prudent leadership of Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. The Ambassador also highlighted the growing defense relations between Bangladesh and Turkey and exuded hope that the bilateral relations especially in the field of defense cooperation would further be enhanced to the mutual benefit of the two countries.

At the end, a special prayer and Munajat was arranged on the occasion seeking divine blessings for the well-being and prosperity of the nation and progress of the armed forces.

The programme was conducted by Defence Attache' Brig Gen Md. Rashed Iqbal ndc, psc, G.