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Bangladesh Chief Adviser seeks global attention on Rohingya issue



Chief Adviser addressing on the sidelines of the UNGA

Chief Adviser of the Interim Government of Bangladesh Professor Dr. Muhammad Yunus sought the international community's continuous focus on the Rohingya crisis and warned that the whole region, not just Bangladesh, could be in trouble otherwise. He was speaking at a high-level discussion on the Rohingya crisis held on the sidelines of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) on 27 September 2024 in New York. The Chief Adviser proposed that the international community revisit its approach to the Rohingya crisis, including, reenergizing the Joint Response Plan and supporting the justice and accountability mechanism. He said the UN Secretary General may convene an all-stakeholders' conference on the Rohingya crisis as soon as possible.

New Foreign Secretary assumes office in Bangladesh



Foreign Secretary Ambassador Md. Jashim Uddin, ndc

Ambassador Md. Jashim Uddin, ndc has taken charges as the 27th Foreign Secretary of Bangladesh on 08

Foreign Affairs Adviser addresses at the 'Summit for the Future' in UNGA



Foreign Affairs Adviser addressing at the Summit of the Future

Foreign Affairs Adviser for the Bangladesh Interim Government Mr. Md. Touhid Hossain addressed at the Summit of the Future Plenary on the sidelines of the 79th UNGA in New York on 23 September 2024. He emphasized on investing more money to critical developmental issues such as climate adaptation, securing future of water for farmers. He also emphasized the need to blend education with creativity as well as to democratize digital technology tools, applications and innovations beyond profit. It is mentionable that the world leaders adopted a Pact for the Future on Sunday, 22 September 2024 that covers a broad range of themes including peace and security, sustainable development, climate change, digital cooperation, human rights, gender, youth and future generations, and the transformation of global governance.

September 2024. An astute career diplomat, Ambassador Md. Jashim Uddin joined Bangladesh Foreign Service in 1994. In his illustrious diplomatic career, Ambassador Jashim served as Bangladesh Ambassador to China, Qatar and Greece. He also worked in various capacities in Bangladesh diplomatic missions in Islamabad, Washington, Tokyo and New Delhi. In the headquarters, he served as Director General for South Asia as well as East Asia & Pacific Wings. Ambassador Md. Jashim Uddin did both his Bachelor's and Master's in International Relations from the University of Dhaka. He obtained an MA Degree in Modern International Studies from the University of Leeds, UK and attended a yearlong course at the National Defence College in Dhaka.

Ambassador meets Health Minister of Myanmar



Ambassador Dr. M. Monwar Hossain met with H.E. Dr. Thet Khaing, Health Minister of Myanmar on 26 September 2024 at the Ministry. He discussed various issues of mutual interest regarding health cooperation, sharing best practices, exchange of health experts, particularly in public health area and training & capacity building of health workers.

Permanent Secretary of MOFA receives Bangladesh Ambassador

Ambassador Dr. M Monwar Hossain met with the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Myanmar Ambassador U Aung Kyaw Moe on 27 September 2024 at the Ministry in Nay Pyi Taw. During the meeting Dr. Hussain discussed about Mission's ongoing activities & upcoming programmes.

ICRC President meets Bangladesh Ambassador



Ms. Mirjana Spoljaric Egger, President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) met with Bangladesh Ambassador Dr. M. Monwar Hossain on Thursday, 05 September 2024 at the Chancery. She was visiting Myanmar with a delegation. They discussed the Rohingya issue and the situation in Myanmar and exchanged views on the need for sustained efforts for peace and stability in Myanmar. Ambassador highlighted Bangladesh's commitment to providing support to the Rohingyas sheltered in Cox's Bazar and willingness to working closely with the global partners to ensure their safe, voluntary and sustainable return to their own land in Myanmar.

85 Bangladeshi nationals return home from Myanmar



Eighty-five (85) Bangladeshi Nationals were sent back to Bangladesh on Saturday, 28 September 2024 from Sittwe port in Rakhine by Myanmar Naval Ship 'UMS Chin Dwin'. Mentionable that out of the 85 returnees 26 persons were in Mawlamyine prison, 16 in Patheingyi prison, 03 in Kyaikmaraw prison and the rest are from Rakhine. Most of the returnees (56) are from Cox's Bazar, Narayanganj, Narsingdi district and others are from Bandarban, Rangamati, Khagrachari, Noakhali and Dhaka District of Bangladesh. Due to steadfast efforts of the Bangladesh Embassy in Yangon and the Bangladesh Consulate in Sittwe in the last 15 months, Bangladesh Embassy in Myanmar actively coordinated the return of 332 Bangladeshi nationals back home.

Tanintharyi business leaders meet Ambassador



A business delegation, led by the President of the Tanintharyi Regional Chamber of Commerce and Industry (TRCCI), visited the Embassy on Tuesday, 03 September 2024 to discuss on further opportunities for bilateral trade and investment between Tanintharyi and Bangladesh. Tanintharyi is rich in fisheries, betel nuts, natural pearls, palm oil, rubber plantations, and rice production. There are significant opportunities for joint ventures, particularly in establishing rubber, fish and palm oil processing plants. Bangladeshi pharmaceutical products are in high demand in the region.

Ambassador visits the Myanmar Medical and Dental Councils



Ambassador Dr. M Monwar Hossain met with the President & officials of Myanmar Medical and Dental Councils on Friday, 06 September 2024. They discussed about potential collaborations between the Bangladesh Medical & Dental Council and Myanmar Councils. Ambassador Hossain said that such collaboration between the top health accreditation institutions of the two countries can enhance patient care and professional standards by sharing best practices, conducting joint training programs, and facilitating research initiatives. He further mentioned that Bangladesh can support improving medical practice and innovation in Myanmar. The dignitaries agreed that regular virtual conferences and exchange programs for healthcare professionals will foster cross-cultural learning and stronger networks.

Embassy observes Eid-e-Miladunnabi through special prayers



The Embassy observed the birth anniversary of the Prophet Muhammed (pbuh) with due solemnity on 17 September 2024 at the Chancery. A discussion meeting followed by duah-munajat was organized on the occasion. The discussants highlighted various lessons from the exemplary life of the greatest prophet. At the end, special prayers were offered for the Muslim ummah around the world, and especially, for the progressive development of Bangladesh. Guests were offered with sweets and refreshments after the programme.

Embassy delegation visits the Myeik river port



A delegation led by Ambassador Dr. M Monwar Hossain visited Myeik of the Tanintharyi Region on 13 September 2024. During the tour, the delegation visited the river port and a pharmaceuticals distribution center in the southern Tanintharyi state of Myanmar. Myeik river port has the potential to significantly enhance trade between Bangladesh and Myanmar by facilitating efficient transportation of goods, linking agricultural products, fisheries and pharmaceuticals.

Embassy welcomes Bangladeshi students of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University



The Embassy organized an interaction session with the Bangladeshi undergraduate and postgraduate students of the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University of Yangon on Friday, 20 September 2024 at the Chancery. The students shared their experiences and discussed about any challenges they may be facing. They also shared about study and their way of representing Bangladesh to the students of different countries in an academia. It is mentionable that ITBMU was inaugurated in December 1998, under Ministry of Religious Affairs and Culture of Myanmar. It promotes Theravada Buddhism in its pristine form and shares knowledge of Buddhism both in theory and practice with the students of many regional countries. Currently fifteen Bangladeshi students are studying at the University.

Ambassador visits the Myanmar Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Trade Association



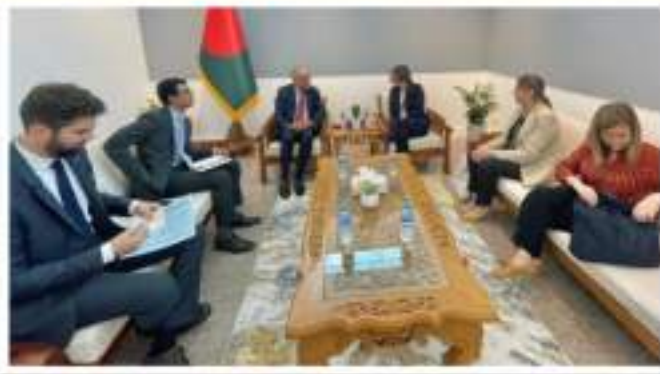
An Embassy delegation led by the Ambassador met with the President and team of the Myanmar Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Trade Association on 24 September 2024 at its office. The office bearers presented their recent activities and collaborations with different stake-holders. Ambassador highlighted the remarkable contributions of Bangladeshi pharmaceutical products to global healthcare. Dr. Hossain also mentioned that Bangladesh enjoys a global recognition in the pharmaceutical market for its high-quality and affordable price and is rapidly becoming a hub for pharmaceutical production meeting 97% of local demand and exports to over 150 countries. He also mentioned that Bangladesh offers a diverse range of medicines, that meet international standards, including WHO-GMP, US-FDA, and EU certifications. Ambassador urged on the Myanmar Association for partnering with the Bangladeshi companies to boost its pharmaceutical sector and ensure better health outcomes for the citizens. Commercial counsellor at the Embassy was also in antecedence.

Embassy conducts consular camp in Mawlamyine



A consular team of the Embassy led by the Ambassador visited the Boy's Training School (correctional center) in Mawlamyine city of Myanmar on 24 September 2024 to meet with 18 minor boys, reported to be Bangladeshi nationals. They were abducted and trafficked from various areas of Cox's Bazar with a view to sending them to Malaysia. The minors have been detained there for weeks for violating the immigration laws of Myanmar. During the visit, the team checked for their fundamental rights and overall well-being and assured them of the Embassy's commitment to sending them home as soon as possible. The Embassy is actively engaged with relevant authorities of Myanmar and Bangladesh, and working tirelessly to facilitate their safe repatriation. This effort underscores the Bangladesh Embassy, Yangon's steadfast dedication to safeguarding the rights of all Bangladeshi citizens who are detained in Myanmar and ensuring their swift return to their families in Bangladesh. Counsellor Consular at the Embassy accompanied the Ambassador.

In Photos



Embassy team meet with the ICRC delegation



Exchanging greetings with the Bangladeshi students in ITBMU