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Newsbrief

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, New Delhi has always attached 'highest priority' to its relationship with Dhaka and it does not support any particular party in Bangladesh. He said, India would always support a progressive, democratic and inclusive Bangladesh. The Indian Prime Minister made the remark at a bilateral meeting with Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus on the sidelines of the BIMSTEC summit in Bangkok yesterday. The Indian Prime Minister said, the history of the two neighbours is intricately linked and it goes back to the birth of Bangladesh. About the statements of ousted Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina delivered from India, the Indian Prime Minister blamed social media for the tensions around Sheikh Hasina's remarks. The Chief Adviser enquired about the status of Bangladesh's request for the extradition of ousted Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina. The Chief Adviser called for discussions with India to renew the Ganges Water Treaty and to conclude the Teesta Water Sharing Agreement.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus urged the Prime Minister of Thailand, Paetongtarn Shinawatra, to ease visa procedures for the Bangladeshi citizens travelling to the South East Asian kingdom. The Head of the Interim Government raised the issue when he met the Thai Prime Minister on the sidelines of the BIMSTEC summit in Bangkok yesterday.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus met Sri Lankan Prime Minister Harinia Amarasuriya on the sidelines of the BIMSTEC Summit in Bangkok yesterday. The two leaders discussed issues of mutual interest and vowed to expand trade and cooperation between the two friendly South Asian countries. The Sri Lankan Premier narrated the efforts made by her country to recover stolen money. She also said, the Sri Lankan parliament has ratified a new law to expedite the recovery process. The Chief Adviser sought Sri Lankan support in the Interim Government's efforts to bring back billions of dollars siphoned off Bangladesh.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus sought support from the elites of Thai society in Dhaka's efforts to join the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN). Bangladesh has planned to join the ASEAN as its sectoral dialogue partner, but Prof. Yunus said, the ultimate goal is to join as a full member of the key regional group. The Chief Adviser told Thai dignitaries at a breakfast meeting at a Bangkok hotel in Thailand yesterday.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus urged BIMSTEC to work together for mutuality of interests and shared benefits as he addressed the 6th BIMSTEC summit in Bangkok yesterday. The Chief Adviser said, BIMSTEC region hosts one-fifth of the global population while challenges abound, converting those challenges into opportunities holding considerable prospect for all. About the potential of BIMSTEC, the Chief Adviser also said, energy security is fundamental to the sustainable development and economic resilience of the BIMSTEC region.

Bhutanese Prime Minister Tshering Tobgay sought a dedicated fibre optic internet connection from Bangladesh. The Bhutan Premier made the request when he held a meeting with Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus on the sidelines of the BIMSTEC summit in Bangkok. In response to the request, the Chief Adviser assured all his cooperation in this regard, Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary Abul Kalam Azad Majumder told this to BSS yesterday. During

the meeting, the two leaders discussed issues of mutual interest. They stressed increased trade and connectivity between the two South Asian neighbours.

Bangladesh assumed the Chairmanship of BIMSTEC for the next two years, reaffirming its commitment to advancing regional cooperation and development. The transition was taken place at the end of the 6th BIMSTEC summit in Bangkok yesterday, where leaders of the seven-member regional bloc including Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus were present.

The Anti-Corruption Commission (ACC) of Bangladesh and the National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) of Thailand yesterday entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) aimed at jointly fostering international cooperation in fighting corruption. ACC Chairman Dr. Mohammad Abdul Momen and NACC President Suchart Trakulkasemsuk signed the MoU on behalf of their respective sides. Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus and Thailand Prime Minister Paetongtarn Shinawatra witnessed the signing of the MoUs on the sidelines of the BIMSTEC summit in Bangkok, Thailand.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus returned home last night wrapping up his two-day Thailand tour to join the sixth Bay of Bengal Initiative for Multi-Sectoral Technical and Economic Cooperation (BIMSTEC) summit in Bangkok. Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary Abul Kalam Azad Majumder told this to BSS yesterday.

BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhru Islam Alamgir said, the talks between Bangladesh Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi created a ray of hope for the nation. The BNP Secretary General told a media briefing at BNP Chairperson's Gulshan office yesterday.



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