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## Newsbrief

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus paid tributes to the Liberation War martyrs this morning by placing wreaths at the National Memorial in Savar marking the 55th Independence and National Day. He stood in solemn silence for few minutes in memory of the martyrs of the great Liberation War in 1971.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus said, the interim government is committed to holding the most free, fair and acceptable election in the country's history. The Chief Adviser said this when he addressed the nation yesterday to convey greetings on the occasion of the Independence Day and the holy Eid-ul-Fitr. The Election Commission (EC) has started taking preparations, the Chief Adviser added. The Chief Adviser hoped the political parties would begin preparations with great enthusiasm to join the next polls. In his speech, broadcasted live by state-run Bangladesh Television (BTV) and Bangladesh Betar, he reiterated that the polls would be held sometime between December this year and June next year.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus will leave Dhaka for China today on a four-day official visit. Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary Abul Kalam Azad told this to BSS yesterday. The Chief Adviser will address the Boao Forum for Asia (BFA) conference focusing on the changing role of Asia in the world.

The country is set to observe the Independence and National Day tomorrow (Wednesday) amid huge enthusiasm. The day is a public holiday. Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus has issued a message on the occasion. In his message, the Chief Adviser said, the interim government is fully committed to further developing and strengthening the country and delivering the full benefits of independence to the people. The Chief Adviser extended his sincere greetings and congratulations to all Bangladeshis living in the country and abroad.

Finance Adviser Dr. Salehuddin Ahmed said that he wanted the digitalisation of the tax payment system to stop corruption in revenue collection. The Adviser said this while speaking at a pre-budget discussion with members of the executive committee of the Economic Reporters Forum and other economic reporters who cover financial issues at Bangladesh Secretariat in the capital yesterday.

Information and Broadcasting Adviser Md. Mahfuj Alam yesterday inaugurated a website dedicated to the events of the July Uprising. The website ([inauguration.julyuprising.com](http://inauguration.julyuprising.com)), developed by the Press Information Department (PID), was inaugurated at PID in the Secretariat, according to a press release. The Adviser, in his speech, said that the events of the July Uprising published in the newspapers have been presented in chronological order on this website. Secretary of the Ministry Mahbuba Farzana said that developing a website related to the events of the July Uprising is a groundbreaking initiative. Through this website, generations will be able to know the history of the July Uprising, she added. Principal Information Officer Md. Nizamul Kabir presided over the function.

Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus's visit to China will focus on attracting foreign investment to Bangladesh, Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam said yesterday. The Chief Adviser's Press Secretary told a press briefing at the Foreign Service Academy. Chief Adviser will leave Dhaka for China today on a four-day official visit.

Bangladesh made preparations for a potential meeting between Bangladesh Chief Adviser Professor Muhammad Yunus and Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi on the sidelines of the upcoming BIMSTEC Summit in Bangkok, scheduled for April 3. Foreign Secretary Md. Jashim Uddin said this information at a curtain-raiser media briefing yesterday, where he outlined the Chief Adviser's forthcoming visits to China and Thailand.

Bangladesh Army organized a reception in honor of the families of those who became martyred and injured in July uprising at the 'Army Multipurpose Complex' in Dhaka Cantonment yesterday. Members of a total of 72 families of the injured and martyred were present at the event, according to an ISPR press release. Chief of Army Staff General Waker-Uz-Zaman addressed the reception ceremony, the release added.



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