# **News Summery**

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#### \* Japanese company expresses interest to invest in software development in Bangladesh

TVS next Co., Ltd., based in Nagoya, Japan expressed interest to invest in Bangladesh for Software Development. A delegation led by President and CEO of the company, Mr. Michio Kawasaki, met H.E. Ambassador Shahabuddin Ahmed on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021 at the Embassy. H.E Ambassador assured of all possible support in this regard. They were briefed on investment facilities and incentives in Bangladeshby the Commercial Counsellor of the Embassy.



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in the US, Singapore and Finland. Ambassador assured of all possible support to the activities of BJIT in promoting Bangladesh marketshare in IT sector and providing IT professional in the potential Japanese market. Deputy Chief of Mission, Shah Asif Rahman; Economic Minister, Syed Nasir Ershad and Counsellor, Sheikh Farid were present and interacted with the delegation.

## Mr. Oshima Hideo, Director and Managing Executive Officer of Nippon Signal Co. Ltd met H.E. Ambassador Shahabuddin Ahmed

Mr. Oshima Hideo, Director and Managing Executive Officer of Nippon Signal Co. Ltd accompanied by other senior officials of the company met H.E. Ambassador Shahabuddin Ahmed on 11 November 2021 at the Embassy. Mr. Oshima briefed on their company profile especially their ongoing work on metro rail project, MRT6 in Dhaka. H.E. Ambassador assured of all possible cooperation from the Embassy in their future ventures. Deputy Chief of Mission, Shah Asif Rahman; Economic Minister, Syed Nasir Ershad and Counsellor & HOC, Sheikh Farid attended the meeting.



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#### **\*** Bangladesh Embassy joins in the Commonwealth Remembrance Day 2021

Bangladesh joined other Commonwealth countries at the Commonwealth Remembrance Day organized by the Australian Embassy on 14 November 2021 in Hodogaya, Yokohama.Deputy Chief of Mission, Shah Asif Rahman, participated and laid the floral wreath on behalf of the Embassy.

## H.E. Mr. Shahabuddin Ahmed, Ambassador of Bangladesh to Japan met H.E. Mr. Honda Taro Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs at his office

H.E. Mr. Shahabuddin Ahmed, Ambassador of Bangladesh to Japan had a courtesy meeting with H.E. Mr. Honda Taro, Parliamentary Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs at his office on 15 November 2021. They discussed a number of bilateral issues during the meeting and reiterated their commitment to further elevate the comprehensive partnership. Looking ahead to the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of diplomatic relations, they agreed to work together to strengthen the traditional close ties between Bangladesh and Japan.



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#### \* The Bangladesh Embassy in Tokyo organized a business seminar marking the 'Mujib Year'

The Bangladesh Embassy in Tokyo organized a business seminar on 16 November 2021 with the participation of the Presidents, Chief Executives and General Managers of many renowned Japanese companies who are doing business in Asia and the US. Most of them are members of an esteemed organization named International Friendship Exchange Council (FEC).

The business forum was organized as part of the several activities that the Embassy has taken up for the celebration of the Birth Centenary of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman (2020-2021) and the 50th Anniversary (Golden Jubilee) of Independence of Bangladesh.

Ambassador Sahabuddin Ahmed welcomed the participants while Ken Matsuzawa, President of FEC thanked Ambassador and embassy officials for arranging the business forum.

In the seminar titled **"Bangladesh: A land of Trade and Investment Opportunities"** informative presentations were made by the Economic Minister, Syed Nasir Ershad on 'Investment opportunities in IT sector of Bangladesh; Commercial Counsellor, Dr. Ariful Haque on 'Bangladesh: Your Next Investment Destination and Labor Counsellor, Md. Zakir Hossain on " Prospects of Bangladesh as a source of the skilled labor force". Deputy Chief of Mission, Shah Asif Rahman thanked all the participants of the event. The business seminar was organized and coordinated by Md. Shiplu Zaman, First Secretary (Press) of the Embassy.



Participants of the Seminar

+ H.E. Ambassador Shahabuddin Ahmed visited Tokyo University of Foreign Studies (TUFS)

H.E. Ambassador Shahabuddin Ahmed visited Tokyo University of Foreign Studies on 23 November 2021 to attend a Bangla play titled "Parmit er Bijoy" (Parmit's victory) staged by Japanese students studying Bangla. Later, he also met the President of TUFS, Kayoko HAYASHI to discuss prospect of collaboration on education and research field. Professor Kyoko Niwa of the Dept. assisted him. From the Embassy, Deputy Chief of Mission, Shah Asif Rahman and Economic Minister Syed Nasir Ershad accompanied the Ambassador.



H.E. Ambassador Shahabuddin Ahmed met the President of TUFS and students

## President of Western Associates made a courtesy visit to H.E. Ambassador Shahabuddin

Tomoichi Onishi, President of Western Associates Inc. Japan, appointed General Sales Agent (GSA) in Japan of Biman Bangladesh Airlines, the national flag carrier airline of Bangladesh, paid a courtesy visit to the H.E Ambassador Mr. Shahabuddin Ahmed on 29 November 2021. He briefed about the preparation and progress of commencing direct flight between Tokyo and Dhaka. H.E Ambassador assured all possible supports in this regard.He requested to expedite the process for direct flight operation between Dhaka and Tokyo



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