

BD envoy assures Japanese MPs about security of Japanese nationals

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Bangladesh Ambassador to Japan Masud Bin Momen on Tuesday assured Japanese Diet members and business leaders about top security measures taken by the government of Bangladesh for all foreign nationals including Japanese citizens living in Bangladesh.

He also urged Japanese MPs and business leaders for their continued engagement and frequent visits to Bangladesh to boost up existing bilateral relations.

Ambassador Masud was speaking at a dinner hosted by the Embassy of Bangladesh in Tokyo in honor of the members of the Japan-Bangladesh Parliamentary Friendship League (JBPFL) in city's New Otani hotel, said the Foreign Ministry here.

About a dozen Diet, as the Japanese parliament is known, members as well as 20 top-level Japanese business leaders from Mitsubishi, Toshiba, Toray, Marubeni, Obayashi, Itochu etc. and high level government officials were present on the occasion.

Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister of Japan and the President of Japan-Bangladesh Parliamentary Friendship League Taro Aso, MP attended the event as the Chief Guest.

The Parliamentary League was reconstituted last year with 65 members.

The event began with welcome remarks by Secretary General of the League Ichiro Tsukada, MP.

In his remarks, Ambassador Masud Bin Momen congratulated Japan on its election as a Permanent member of UN Security Council and mentioned that as a peace loving nation and genuine development partner, Japan always enjoys special respect from the people around the world including Bangladesh.

He urged the members of the Parliamentary League to convey to the Japanese Government not to be deterred by the recent isolated and heinous act of murder of a Japanese national in Bangladesh and keep the momentum of our decades-long economic engagement.

“In Bangladesh's march towards prosperity as envisioned by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, Japan will remain an important partner,” Ambassador Masud noted.

Deputy Prime Minister Taro Aso in his remarks appreciated the launching of 'Comprehensive Partnership' between the two countries last year and pledged for continued Japanese support and cooperation for Bangladesh.

Bangladesh Embassy also organized an IT promotion event yesterday at city's Shinagawa Prince Hotel. Bangladesh Ambassador Masud Bin Momen inaugurated the matchmaking B2B event in presence of BASIS President Shameem Ahsan, and Senior Director of JETRO, Takashi Suzuki. About 24 Japanese IT companies and 12 Bangladeshi IT companies participated at the B2B event.

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