

Speech by the Leader of Bangladesh Delegation
on the 7th Plenary Session of APA

Honourable Chairman, Excellency Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed, Excellency Senators, Member of National Assemblies, Honourable Speakers, distinguish delegates, Assalam-o-Alaikum, Good afternoon.

At the outset of my deliberation, I would like to convey my thanks and gratitude to the organizer for APA Conference to this historic city of Lahore. May I also convey our heartfelt and sincere thanks for the hospitalities extended to me and my delegation by your Excellency.

It is regretted that due to his prior commitment, our Honourable Speaker of the National Assembly could not participate at this Plenary Session of the APA.

Mr. Chairman, May I mention that our efforts has been to make the parliament the centre of all activities. Bangladesh has always make sure that people's voice is inclusive so that the democracy takes deeper roots in every sphere in people's life.

We have always strived to ensure good governance through the setting up of parliamentary standing committees and enacting effective laws and rule of law.

Bangladesh attaches importance towards its relations with APA and for that matter I would suggest frequent exchange of visits among the APA parliamentarians.

The present Government under the Prime Minister Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, daughter of our Father of the Nation Bongo Bandu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman has taken various progammes for uplifting the quality of the life of our people through establishing rule of law, democratic practice, human rights, justice, genders' equality and women empowerment.

Mr. Chairman, may I have this opportunity to convey our sincere thanks to all the members of CPU and IPU to elect our Speaker and Member of Parliament Mr. Saber Hossain Chaudhry respectively as its Chairman.

Excellency, as I have stated that Bangladesh attaches great imprtance of APA and for that matter we are committed to extend our all cooperation for the activities of APA.

Before I conclude, I would like to thank you once again and I wish for the success of the conference with assurance that Bangladesh will work for the benefit of the region in all these forums.

Thank you