97th Birth Anniversary of Father of the Nation & National Children’s Day Celebrated in Washington D.C.

The 97th anniversary of birth of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and National Children’s Day was celebrated at Bangladesh Embassy in Washington D.C. amid patriotic zeal, enthusiasm and merrymaking.

On this day back in 1920 Bangabanshu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, the greatest son of the Bengali nation, was born at Tungipara in Gopalganj district.

To celebrate the historic day, the embassy chalked out elaborate programs including discussion, essay writing, recitation, drawing and “dress as you like” competition at the Bangabandhu Auditorium of the embassy.

A 25-minute documentary film depicting life and work of the Father of the Nation since his early life, Language Movement in 1952, the War of Liberation in 1971 and the reconstruction of post-independence Bangladesh was screened. A good number of children, their parents and members of the Bangladesh community attended the function.

The messages from the Hon’ble President, Hon’ble Prime Minister, Hon’ble Foreign Minister and Hon’ble State Minister for Foreign Affairs were read out by the embassy officials. Verses from the Holy Books were recited followed by a special prayer seeking divine blessings for the late lamented leader and peace and progress of Bangladesh.

Bangladesh Ambassador to the U.S.A. Mohammad Ziauddin gave welcome address and Eng. Mizanur Rahman Majumder took part in the discussion. A documentary on the life and work of the Father of the Nation was screened.

Paying rich tributes to the Bangabandu, Ambassador Ziauddin in his statement said the 17th March is a glorious and significant day of our nation’s history as Bangladesh emerged as an independent and sovereign nation because of Bangabandhu’s relentless struggle and uncompromising leadership against the military dictators of the erstwhile Pakistan.

He said Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina in 1996 declared the 17th March as National Children’s Day to mark Bangabandhu’s unflinching love and affection for children and build up our new generation imbued with the ideals of the Father of the Nation, Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

On the occasion school children took part in essay completion on Bangabandhu: Bangladesh and tiny tots in drawing and ‘dress as you like’ competition.

Ambassador Ziauddin cut the celebration cake while Mrs. Yasmeen Ziauddin distributed prizes among the participants.
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