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Mujibnagar Day observed at Bangladesh Embassy in Washington D.C.

The historic Mujibnagar Day was observed at Bangladesh Embassy in Washington D.C. in a befitting manner recalling the establishment of Bangladesh Provisional Government on this day in 1971 that successfully led the nation’s nine-month war of independence to its cherished end under the charismatic leadership of the father of the nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.

The legal and constitutional basis of the Mujibnagar government was provided by the Proclamation of Independence Order of Bangladesh on 10 April 1971 adopted the elected representatives.

It took oath at Baidyanathatula mango grove later renamed as Mujibnagar in the then Meherpur subdivision of Kushtia district on 17 April 1971 to command the war of liberation and mobilize international opinion in favour of Bangladesh’s freedom.

The day’s program include discussion on the significance of day and read out of messages of Hon’ble President Abdul Hamid and Hon’ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina.

Bangladesh Ambassador to the U.S.A. Mohammad Ziauddin chaired the discussion addressed by Eng, Mizanur Rahman Majumdar, president of Bangabandhu Parishad Washington D.C., elderly Awami League leader Prof. Ziauddin Khan and Shamim Ahmad, Minister (Press) of the embassy.

Ambassador Ziauddin paid rich tributes to the father of the nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman for his farsighted dynamic leadership to lead the nation to the much cherished independence.

He also recalled the able leadership and appropriate war strategies of the Mujibnagar government. Syed Nazrul Islam, the acting president and Tajuddin Ahmed, the prime minister of the Mujibnagar government, steered the 1971 war towards its successful culmination.

The Ambassador said the Mujibnagar government had discharged entire duties efficiently in leading the Liberation War for nine months, mobilizing international opinion in favour of newly independent Bangladesh.

Earlier, Defence Attache Brig Gen Mohammad Shamsuzzaman, aowc, psc and Minister (Economic) Md. Shahabuddin Patwari read out the messages of the President and the Prime Minister respectively. Counsellor (Political) and Head of the Chancery Dewan Ashraf conducted the program.
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