

Institutional reform can sow seed of sustainable democracy in Bangladesh, Advisers

BSS – Advisers Md Nahid Islam and Md Mahfuj Alam have emphasized that consensus based institutional reform can sow the seed of true and sustainable democracy in Bangladesh and that in turn will save the future of democracy in Bangladesh.

They expressed this view in response to a question raised during the first session of a series of ‘Foreign Policy Dialogue’ themed ‘Building a New Bangladesh – Reforms and Foreign Policy’, held on Sunday at the foreign ministry, said a ministry’s press release today.

Adviser to the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and Ministry of Posts, Telecommunications and Information Technology, Md Nahid Islam and Adviser to the Government Md Mahfuj Alam participated in the dialogue while Foreign Secretary Ambassador Md Jashim Uddin moderated the event.

At the beginning, a minute’s silence was observed for the martyrs of the July-August revolution and the event screened a special short documentary on the events of July-August 2024.

Praising the fearless roles of the young Advisers, Foreign Secretary remarked

that the youth has again proved that they can take the leadership role at any critical juncture of the country's history.

Mentioning the reform initiatives taken by the interim government, he engaged in an interactive dialogue with the Advisers and sought their views on foreign policy, reform, mass uprising and the future of Bangladesh.

An engaging question and answer session followed where young officers of the Ministry took the opportunity to ask the Advisers candid questions and get answers on the episode that turned the history pages of Bangladesh into a new chapter.

In response to a question, both the Advisers agreed that for the implementation of a robust foreign policy for making Bangladesh an important factor in the international arena, support will be extended to the initiatives for enabling the Foreign Ministry to take the leading role in foreign policy issues.

The two advisers were also handed over mementos commemorating the July-August Revolution.