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Prof Yunus invited to join Club de Madrid

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President of the Club de Madrid and former President of Slovenia, Danilo Türk, met Chief Adviser Prof Muhammad Yunus in New York on Wednesday.

During their meeting at his hotel, Danilo Türk extended an invitation to Prof Yunus to become a member of the organisation, said Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary Abul Kalam Azad Majumder.

He commended Prof Yunus' pioneering work microcredit, mentioning its global impact.

"We would be honoured to have you participate in our events. We would also greatly appreciate your insights into the democratic transformation currently underway in Bangladesh," he said.

Referring to the recent July Uprising in Bangladesh, Türk remarked that the movement had astonished the world and emphasised the importance for global leaders to better understand such transformations.

He also expressed his support for the interim government led by Prof Yunus and its efforts to foster inclusive democratic practices.

The Chief Adviser welcomed the invitation, expressing his willingness to share Bangladesh's ongoing experiences with democratic reform.

"We are still walking through the jungle, figuring out how to lead the country toward a democratic transformation. Our focus remains firmly on this path," he said.

Club de Madrid is the world's largest forum of democratic former Presidents and Prime Ministers, who leverage their individual and collective leadership experience and global reach to strengthen inclusive democratic practice and improve the well-being of people around the world.

SDGs Affairs Principal Coordinator Lamiya Morshed was also present at the meeting.

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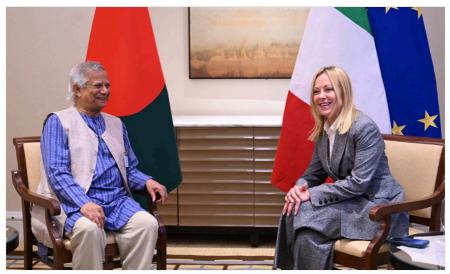


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Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni is expected to visit Bangladesh in December this year as the two countries eye expanded economic cooperation with collaboration to ensure safe migration.

She met Chief Adviser Prof Muhammad Yunus on the sidelines of the 80th United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) on Wednesday afternoon (NY time) and discussed issues of mutual interest.

"The Italian Prime Minister expects that she will come to Bangladesh in December," Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam told reporters after the meeting.

Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary Abul Kalam Azad Majumder and Senior Assistant Press Secretary Foyez Ahmmad were present at the briefing.

The meeting between the Chief Adviser and Italian Prime Minister provided an opportunity to discuss the "safe migration" issues to combat irregular migration flows.

"There was a discussion with the Italian Prime Min about safe migration. You know, a lot of people are lured from Bangladesh (human trafficking). In many cases it turns into a tragedy. As you have seen, many Bangladeshis have died in the Mediterranean," Alam said, adding that there was a discussion about how to ensure safe migration.

When Prof Yunus highlighted the importance of further expanding trade relations between the two countries, the Italian Prime Minister proposed for Italy-Bangladesh Business Forum.

The President of the Council of Ministers, Giorgia Meloni, visited New York from September 23 to 24 to attend the 80th United Nations General Assembly.

She had bilateral meetings with the President of South Korea, Lee Jae Myung, and with the President of Paraguay, Santiago Peña Palacios, and later held a press point.

In May this year, Bangladesh and Italy agreed to enhance cooperation in combating transnational organised crimes, including human trafficking and migrant smuggling as well as terrorism and cybercrime.

The two countries emphasised the importance of capacitybuilding, continued information and intelligence sharing and joint training to strengthen security frameworks in both nations.

Both sides agreed to make arrangements towards establishing a 'joint committee' to promote cooperation in preventing and combating transnational organised crime and capacity-building initiatives for law enforcement agencies, according to a joint statement issued after the official visit of Italian Minister of the Interior Matteo Piantedosi to Bangladesh on May 5-6.

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Yunus introduces political leaders with top US companies

He spoke and called upon US companies to invest more in Bangladesh

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Chief Adviser Prof Muhammad Yunus has introduced six political leaders accompanying him at the 80th United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) with top US companies, encouraging them to expand investments in Bangladesh.

"It was a big meeting. Prof Yunus spoke and called upor companies to invest more in Bangladesh," Chief Adviser's Press Secretary Shafiqul Alam told reporters after the event.

Chief Adviser's Deputy Press Secretary Abul Kalam Azad Majumder and Senior Assistant Press Secretary Foyez Ahmmad were also present.

The US-Bangladesh Business Council (USBBC) hosted the roundtable discussion titled "US-Bangladesh Executive Business Roundtable: Advancing Reform, Resilience and Growth" at a New York hotel on Wednesday.

Senior executives from leading US companies and major investors in Bangladesh, including MetLife, Chevron and Excelerate Energy, attended the meeting.

Bangladesh's political delegation included BNP Secretary General Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir, BNP leader Humayun Kabir, Jamaat-e-Islami Nayeb-e-Ameer Syeed Abdullah Muhammad Taher, Jamaat leader Mohammad Nakibur Rahman, National Citizen Party (NCP) Member Secretary Akhter Hossen, and NCP First Senior Joint Member Secretary Dr Tasnim Jara.

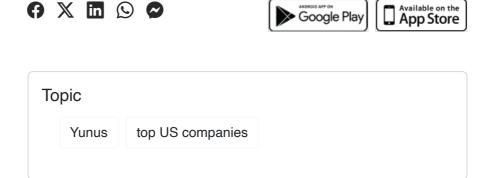
Prof Yunus introduced the political leaders with the US businesses and highlighted that a new political government will be formed through a fair election scheduled for February next year.

"Prof Yunus introduced them with the US business community so that they could get to know each other better," said Press Secretary Alam.

Talking to reporters, Jamaat leader Taher praised the initiative and said US investors expressed encouragement.

Foreign Affairs Adviser Md Touhid Hossain, Energy Adviser Fouzul Kabir Khan, and leaders of the USBBC were present.





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CA Yunus holds talk with Pakistan PM Shehbaz Sharif

The discussion takes place on the sidelines of the UN General Assembly (UNGA) session

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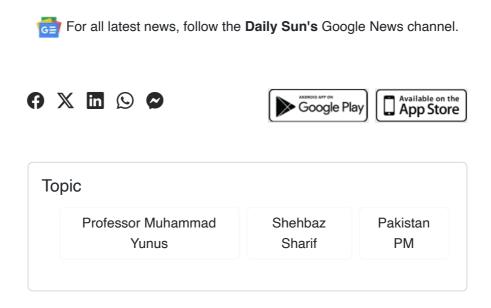


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Chief Adviser to the Bangladesh Government, Professor Muhammad Yunus, held a meeting with Pakistan's Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Wednesday at the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The discussion took place on the sidelines of the UN Ger Assembly (UNGA) session, according to a press note on early Thursday.

Although the details of the talks were not disclosed, diplomatic sources indicated that the meeting focused on issues of mutual interest, including regional stability, development cooperation, and the role of South Asian countries in addressing global challenges.



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Yunus invites Trump to visit Bangladesh

He attends reception hosted by the US president

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Chief Adviser Prof Muhammad Yunus invited US President Donald Trump to visit Bangladesh at a convenient time during a reception hosted by the President in New York on Tuesday.

Prof Yunus attended the event at the invitation of President Trump, who is in New York for the UN General Assembly (UNGA).

At the reception, he exchanged pleasantries with President Trump and several world leaders, including King Felipe VI of Spain, Japanese Prime Minister Shigeru Ishiba, UN Secretary-General António Guterres, and Bhutanese Prime Minister Tshering Tobgay.

The Chief Adviser also met US Secretary of State Marco Rubio and US Special Envoy for South and Central Asia Sergio Gor, his Deputy Press Secretary Abul Kalam Azad Majumder said.

Opening under the theme 'Better together: 80 years and more for peace, development and human rights', this milestone session comes amid rising global challenges and urgent calls for renewed multilateral action.

The high-level week began on 22 September with a series of summits and commemorations, including the 80th anniversary of the UN, an SDG Moment, and the 30th anniversary of the Beijing World Conference on Women.

Leaders will also join a high-level conference on the peac settlement of the question of Palestine and the implementation of the two-State solution.

From 23 to 29 September, world attention is turning to the iconic green marble podium in the General Assembly Hall, where presidents, prime ministers and monarchs are presenting national statements outlining visions for peace, development, human rights, and collective action.

Other major events on the agenda include a biennial summit on financing for sustainable development, a Climate Summit, the launch of a Global Dialogue on AI Governance and discussions on the global response to noncommunicable diseases and mental health. The situation of the Rohingya Muslims and other minorities in Myanmar is also set to feature prominently.

