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**Message from High Commissioner**

On the auspicious occasion of the Independence and National Day of Bangladesh, I on my own behalf and on behalf of all my colleagues in the High Commission wish to convey our heartiest greetings and warm felicitation to our nationals living in Australia, New Zealand and Fiji. The 26<sup>th</sup> March is a glorious day in our national life and the day of earning self-identity. On this memorable day let us join together to pay our deepest gratitude to the millions of heroic martyrs who made supreme sacrifice in achieving our independence. We also take this opportunity to convey our warm wishes to the Government and people of Commonwealth of Australia for the continued generous support provided to us from the War of Liberation till date.

On this historic day I pay my highest respect to the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman and all other leaders who have led the Nation to achieve our long-cherished independence through a nine-month long glorious War of Liberation in 1971. I salute and pay my deep homage to all the valiant freedom fighters, the 3 million martyrs and 200 thousand women who made supreme sacrifices and presented us the Independent Bangladesh. I would also like to extend my sincere appreciation to all those foreign nationals who contributed in our War of Liberation in various ways.

On this day I would urge upon all the members of Bangladesh Community to continue their valuable supports and efforts with the spirit of our War of Liberation to build a happy and prosperous Bangladesh and materialize the objectives of our independence. I sincerely believe that with your continued support, Bangladesh will find its place as a dignified, democratic and secular country in the world.

**Lieutenant General  
Masud Uddin Chowdhury (Retd)**