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Reza Kibria, son of slain former finance minister Shah AMS Kibria, speaks at a press conference at his residence in the city yesterday demanding a fair investigation into Kibria murder case. On his right is his mother Asma Kibria.

Bangladesh to attain faster dev, hopes Japanese envoy

UNB, Dhaka

Outgoing Japanese Ambassador Matsushiro Horiguchi yesterday hoped that Bangladesh would be able to attain faster development and strengthen democracy by overcoming current political stand-off.

The envoy told this to reporters after paying a farewell call on Leader of the Opposition in Parliament Sheikh Hasina at her Sudha Sadan residence in the city.

During the meeting, they discussed ways to create an enabling environment to attract more foreign investment in Bangladesh, he said.

Hasina, also the Awami League president, appreciated Japanese aid and assistance, which immensely contributed to socio-economic development, and hoped that the Japanese assistance for Bangladesh would continue.

Briefing reporters after the meeting, Saber Hossain Chowdhury, political secretary to the opposition leader, said Japan is a tested friend of Bangladesh and has been helping the country since its independence.

The ambassador assured that it would support Awami League's roadmap for development of the country.

Awami League leaders Obaidul Quader, Saber Hossain Chowdhury, former ambassador Ziauddin and Sajib Wazed Joy, son of Sheikh Hasina, were present at the meeting.

Memorial meeting on Nasreen today

A meeting in memory of Nasreen Pervin Huq, country director of ActionAid, will be held at the Central Shaheed Minar in the city at 5:00pm today, says a press release.

All have been requested to attend the meeting.

Nasreen, a women's rights activist, died following an accident at the car park of her residence at Dhanmondi on April 24.