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**Message**

It is my pleasure to extend warm greetings to all participants at the North American 'Book Fair & International Bangla Festival 2010' to be held in New York from 2-5 July 2010 and in Virginia from June 26-27, 2010. I am glad to know that the Muktaadhara Foundation Inc. USA has been organizing this event since 1992.

I understand this event will showcase cultural diversity of the participating communities. This, I believe, will further expand the opportunities for cross-cultural interaction and improve understanding among all Bengali speaking people living abroad.

In this context, I particularly appreciate the role of the Muktaadhara Foundation in USA for their dynamic effort in highlighting the richness of our culture and heritage to the younger generation as well as to the mainstream US society.

I wish the North America 'Book Fair & International Bangla Festival 2010' a great success.

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