

## ROYAL BHUTANESE EMBASSY DHAKA BANGLADESH

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To join the yearlong celebrations in Bhutan to commemorate the 60<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of our beloved Fourth Druk Gyalpo, His Majesty Jigme Singye Wangchuck, the Royal Bhutanese Embassy in Dhaka, in collaboration with the Ministry of Culture of Bangladesh, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh and the Bangladesh National Museum, organized a Bhutan Film Festival from 2 to 6 October 2015 at the Bangladesh National Museum in Dhaka.

The Bhutan Film Festival was inaugurated by His Excellency Mr. Asaduzzaman Noor, Hon'ble Minister of Cultural Affairs of Bangladesh on Friday 2 October 2015 at 1430 hours. The Hon'ble Minister recalled with appreciation that Bhutan was the first country to recognize the independence of Bangladesh in 1971. He expressed his support for increased cultural cooperation between Bangladesh and Bhutan.

The inaugural session was attended by senior government officials, heads of diplomatic missions in Dhaka, well wishers, film enthusiasts and media representatives as well as the Bhutanese community and students in Bangladesh.

During the five day long Bhutan Film Festival, six Bhutanese feature films and seven documentaries are being screened to the general public of Bangladesh.

Thereafter, the Royal Bhutanese Embassy will be screening some of the Bhutanese films at universities in Bangladesh, Sri Lanka and South Korea in collaboration with the Bhutanese Students Associations in these countries.

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