# Conflicting Views on Election Roadmap: Jamaat Calls it 'Flawed,' BNP Welcomes it as 'Positive'




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In a split reaction from major political parties, Bangladesh Jamaat-e-Islami has labeled the Election Commission's (EC) recently announced national election roadmap as "traditional and somewhat misleading," while the Bangladesh Nationalist Party (BNP) has welcomed it as a "positive" development.

In a statement shared on the party's Facebook page on Thursday, Jamaat Secretary General Mia Golam Parwar said the roadmap "does not reflect the expectations of the people." He further noted that while the nation looks forward to a free and fair election in February of next year, the fundamental method of holding the election has not been finalized.

Parwar criticized the EC's timing, stating that the legal basis and implementation of the "July Charter"—a key demand of the protest movement—remain unsettled. He described the roadmap as "flawed and incomplete" under these circumstances, arguing that it should have been announced only after the necessary legal framework was put in place to uphold the spirit of the 'July revolution' and re-establish democracy.

In contrast, BNP's Standing Committee Member Salahuddin called the roadmap a "positive" step. In a statement posted on the party's media cell's Facebook page, he expressed satisfaction with the development, saying, "We expect that the national elections will be held in accordance with this roadmap," and called the announcement "good news for the people."