



## Dr. Yunus Calls for Unity, Vows Credible Election Free of Outside Pressure



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Chief Adviser Dr. Muhammad Yunus has reaffirmed that Bangladesh's next general election will be held in the first half of February 2026, pledging a transparent and participatory process.

Speaking through his Press Secretary after a meeting on Tuesday (September 2) with representatives of seven political parties and one civic group, Dr. Yunus underscored that no foreign power should be allowed to influence the election. He appealed for nationwide cooperation to safeguard its credibility.

Dr. Yunus emphasized that the upcoming vote carries historic significance: for many, it will be their first opportunity to cast a ballot, while for others who previously faced disillusionment, it must deliver a positive and inclusive experience.

The Chief Adviser also warned of attempts by certain groups to obstruct the interim government and disrupt the electoral process. "We are already witnessing signs of such efforts, and more may emerge. Vigilance is essential," he said, stressing that the government's singular mission is to hold elections in February.

He further noted that the election is not about the interim administration but belongs to the people and all political parties, with the broader aim of shaping the country's future.

Ahead of the Durga Puja festivities, Dr. Yunus urged citizens to maintain peace and communal harmony, cautioning against attempts to incite unrest. He expressed optimism that, as in past years, the festival would be celebrated in a spirit of peace and joy.