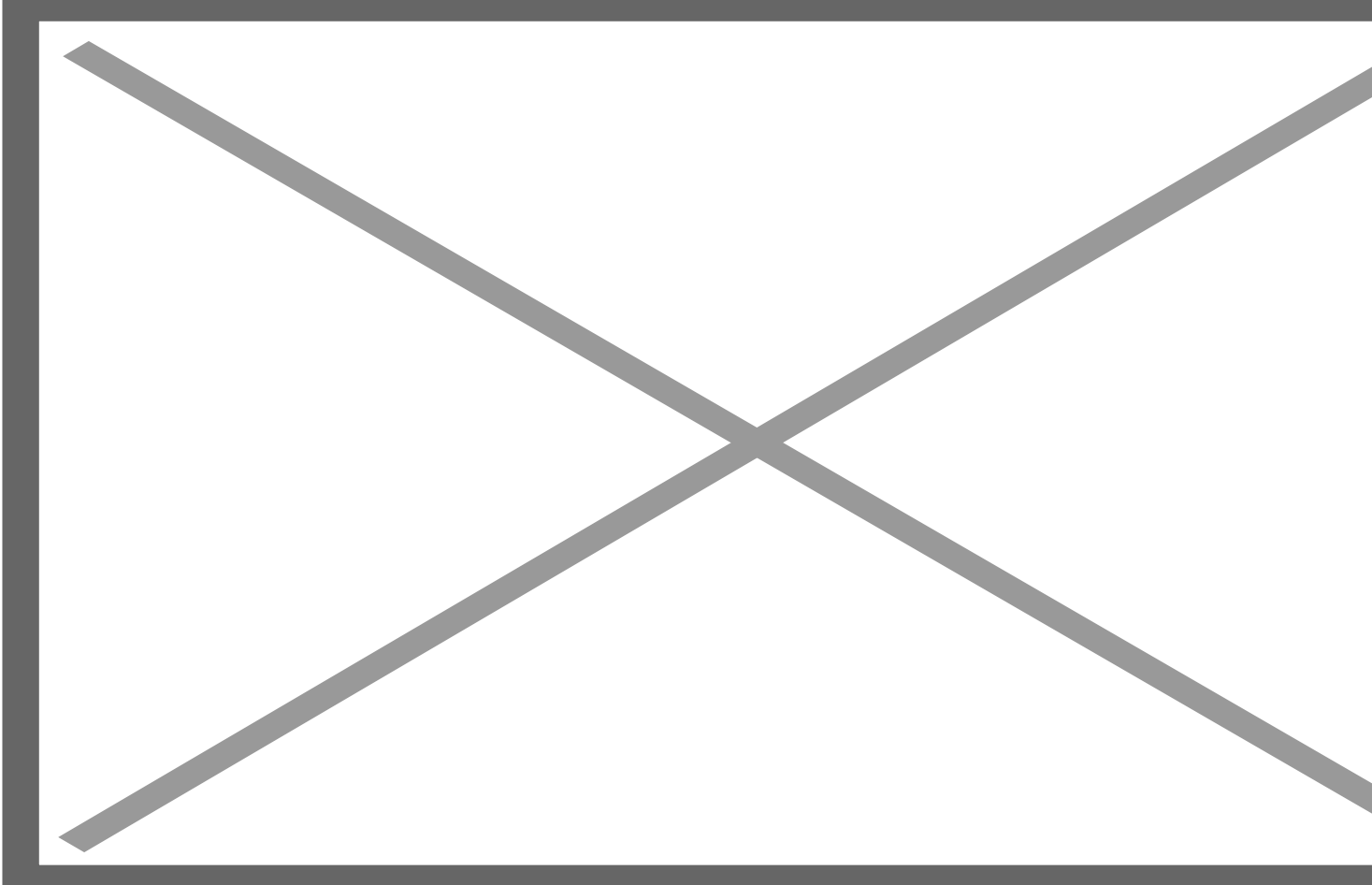


‘Foreign envoys were impressed with facilities for Rohingyas at Bhasan Char

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The Daily Morning Voice Online Desk : Foreign envoys who visited Bhasan Char on Friday were impressed with facilities and scopes for Rohingyas available there, said the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Saturday, reports UNB. Foreign Secretary Masud Bin Momen, PM’s Principle Secretary, Senior officials and Ambassadors of Japan, China, France, Indonesia and Resident Representatives of UN, UNHCR, WFP in Bangladesh visited Bhasan Char on February 17. The visit to Bhasan Char was hosted to discuss progress on the island and support to the approximately 30000 Rohingya living there. “Increasing community self-reliance is a priority, particularly given the increased humanitarian funding challenges,” UN Resident Coordinator in Bangladesh Gwyn Lewis tweeted. Japanese Ambassador Iwama Kiminori, Chinese Ambassador Yao Wen, French Ambassador Marie Masdupuy and Indonesian Ambassador Heru Hartanto Subolo reached Bhasan Char on a helicopter around 10:30am on Friday. They were accompanied by UN Resident Coordinator Gwyn Lewis, UN High Commissioner for Refugees Representative Johannes Van Der Klaauw and World Food Program Officer-in-Charge Simone Lawson Parchment. Humayun Kabir, officer-in-charge (OC) of Bhasan Char Police Station, said the delegation including the ambassadors of four countries monitored the overall situation from 11 am to 3 pm. They also talked to Rohingyas about their facilities, living standards and other issues, added the OC.