

Special session begins today to mark golden jubilee of JS

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Online Desk: A special session of the 11th Parliament opens today marking the 50th anniversary of the legislature . This will also be the 22nd session of the current Parliament or Jatiya Sangsad, reports UNB.

President Abdul Hamid will deliver a memorial speech in the House highlighting the country's achievement and the role of the legislature on April 7. According to the Parliament secretariat sources, this special session is likely to continue for four working days. A resolution on the president's speech will be adopted in the Jatiya Sangsad following discussion of lawmakers.

Talking to reporters Speaker Shirin Sharmin Chaudhury highlighted the yearlong programme taken to mark the golden jubilee of the Jatiya Sangsad. She recalled the day when the Jatiya Sangsad sat for the first time on April 7 in 1973.

“In continuation of this, we are going to celebrate the golden jubilee of Parliament in 2023. That is why April 7 is an important day for Parliament,” she said. She said that Leader of Parliament, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, Leader of the Opposition Raushan Ershad, Deputy Leader of Parliament Begum Matia Chowdhury and the Speaker are all females.

Highlighting the golden jubilee celebration activities, she said, the most important part of this activities is holding the special session of the parliament. Before the House goes into session at 1100am, the Business Advisory Committee of Parliament is likely to sit in a meeting with the speaker in the chair to set its duration and businesses.

In addition to the special session, there will be some events throughout the year to commemorate the golden jubilee of Jatiya Sangsad. “We are thinking of a mutual exchange of views between the senior parliamentarians and the young generation. Senior parliamentarians will share their experiences there,” the speaker said.

“We also want to hold an international conference. That may be after the budget session. There, we will invite important people including some speakers from other countries. Hope it will be part of golden jubilee celebrations. It may be held in September or October,” she added.

Earlier in November 2020, a special session was held for the first time in the history of the Parliament of Bangladesh. The special session was held on the occasion of the birth centenary of the great architect of independence, Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman.