



## Bangladesh Ready to Increase Imports from the United States: Chief Advisor



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Dhaka has expressed interest in importing agricultural products, LPG, and civil aircraft from the United States to strengthen Bangladesh-US trade relations and reduce the trade deficit. Chief Advisor Dr. Muhammad Yunus has expressed hope that this could lead to additional tariff exemptions.

Chief Advisor Dr. Muhammad Yunus has stated that Bangladesh is preparing to increase imports from the United States to further deepen trade relations. He made this remark during a meeting with Brendan Lynch, U.S. Assistant Trade Representative, at the Chief Advisor's office in Tejgaon, Dhaka, on Monday, 15 September.

The meeting focused on reducing the trade deficit between the two countries and discussing future trade strategies. Bangladesh expressed interest in importing U.S. agricultural products—especially cotton and soybeans. Additionally, as part of efforts to strengthen cooperation in the energy sector, the import of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) from the United States was discussed. The discussions also covered the purchase of civil aircraft, drug control measures, and the Rohingya crisis.

Chief Advisor Dr. Yunus said that Bangladesh is ready to increase imports, and it is expected that this will result in further tariff concessions for the country.

The meeting was also attended by Trade Advisor Sheikh Bashir Uddin, National Security Advisor Khalilur Rahman, USTR Director for South Asia Emily Ashby, Senior Secretary for SDGs Lamia Murshed, Commerce Secretary Mahbubur Rahman, and U.S. Chargé d'Affaires Tracy Ann Jacobson.