

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Social Business Day 2026

Two days of plenaries, breakout sessions, and country forums — marking 50 years of Grameen Bank and 20 years of the Nobel Peace Prize.

June 27–28, 2026

Main Venue + Telecom Bhaban

Featuring Prof. Muhammad Yunus

DAY 1 · Opening Day

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026

7:00 – 9:30 AM

Gathering & Check-in

9:30 – 10:30 AM

OPENING CEREMONY

Keynote Address & Welcome Remarks

Welcome Addresses

- Lamiya Morshed, Executive Director, Yunus Centre
- Ashraful Hassan, Chairman, Grameen Group

Opening Remarks

- Abdul Hannan Chowdhury, Chairman, Grameen Bank
- António Guterres, Secretary-General of the United Nations (Video Message) (2 min)
- José Ramos-Horta, President of Timor-Leste (Video Message)

Keynote Address

"Social Business: The Language of Peace in a Fractured World" by Professor Muhammad Yunus, 2006 Nobel Peace Laureate

10:30 – 11:30 AM

Celebrating 50 Years of Grameen Bank & 20 Years of the Nobel Peace Prize

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Reflections & Global Impact Sessions

From Jobra to Oslo and Beyond: The Evolution of Grameen Bank (Audiovisual)

Building from the Ground Up: Reflections from Early Pioneers

- Abdul Hannan Chowdhury, Chairman, Grameen Bank
- Sarder Akhter Hamed, Managing Director, Grameen Bank

From Bangladesh to the World: Global Replicators

- Sukor Kasim (Malaysia), Shankar Man Shreshtha (Nepal), Corazon A. Henrares & Suzzette D. Gaston (NWTF Philippines), Dr. Dolores M. Torres (CARD Bank), Zahirul Alam (IDF)

Networking & Marketplace Tour

12:00 – 1:00 PM

PLENARY 1

Healing Our Fractured World: The Role of Social Business

Moderator: Professor Faiz Shah (Yunus Thailand / AIT)

- Professor Muhammad Yunus, 2006 Nobel Peace Laureate
- Erik Solheim, President Europe - Asia Center
- Carol Gribnau, Director, DOEN Foundation
- Mrs. Mary Therese Winifred Robinson, Former President of Ireland (Online)
- Dr. Ismail Serageldin, Former Vice President of the World Bank
- Ashik Chowdhury, Executive Chairman, BIDA

1:00 – 2:00 PM

Lunch Break

2:00 – 3:00 PM

PLENARY 2

Making Healthcare Accessible to All: Role of Technology and Social Business

Moderator: Richard St-Pierre (Levio)

- Ms. Lacy Hubbard, President and CEO, Elekta Foundation
- Shamsul Haque Ahmed, MD, Grameen Healthcare Services Ltd.
- Dr. Ahmed Armaan Siddiqui, CEO, Grameen HealthTech Limited
- AKM Moinuddin Chowdhury, MD, Grameen Kalyan
- Joseph Hazel, Group CEO, Apex Health
- Kate Moynihan, Executive Director and CEO, Seva Foundation

3:00 – 3:50 PM

Spotlight Session: Innovations in Action

Latest Developments from Grameen Group, Yunus Environment Hub, and Grameen University

4:30 – 6:00 PM

Breakout Sessions (Concurrent Tracks)

TRACK 1

From Classroom to Community: The University as a Social Business Incubator

TRACK 2

Zero Excuses: Leading Climate Action Through Social Business

TRACK 3

Beyond Credit: Building an Inclusive Financial System

TRACK 4

Building a 3ZERO World: Strategies, Stories, and the Road Ahead

TRACK 5

Nurturing the Next Generation of Women Entrepreneurs and Leaders

TRACK 6

Feeding the Future: Reimagining Food Systems

TRACK 7

Leveraging Emerging Technologies to Address Global Challenges

6:30 – 8:00 PM

Dinner & End of Day 1

DAY 2

SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026

9:40 – 10:00 AM

Spotlight Session: Innovations in Action

Healing Through Harmony- Shukhee, Grameen Kalyan, Grameen Healthcare Services

10:00 – 11:00 AM

PLENARY 3

Finance for Peace: Redesigning Systems that Work for All

Moderator: Alex Counts (Founder, Grameen Foundation)

- Tasmina Rahman, MD, Grameen Trust
- Suresh Krishna, Co-founder & CEO, Yunus Social Business Fund Bengaluru
- Philippe Guichandut, General Secretary, Grameen Credit Agricole Foundation
- Md Fazlul Kader, MD, Palli Karma-Sahayak Foundation

11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Country Forum (Breakout Rooms)

2:00 – 3:30 PM

Spotlight Session: Global Collaborations

Social Business & Social Fiction Design Competition Showcase

Beyond Borders: Creating Opportunities from Bangladesh to Japan

3:30 – 4:30 PM

PLENARY 4

Youth Empowerment Through Education, Entrepreneurship, and Technology

Moderator: Shazeeb M Khairul Islam (MD, YY Ventures)

- Professor Muhammad Yunus, 2006 Nobel Peace Laureate
- Professor Dato' Ir Dr Mohd Saleh Jaafar, Vice Chancellor, Albukhary International University
- Daisy Liu, Senior Specialist, Foundation for Yunus Social Business Taiwan

6:00 – 6:45 PM

CLOSING CEREMONY

Closing Remarks & Final Wrap-up

- Andrea Jung, President and CEO, Grameen America (Online)
- Lamiya Morshed, Executive Director, Yunus Centre
- Ashraful Hassan, Chairman, Grameen Group
- Professor Muhammad Yunus, 2006 Nobel Peace Laureate

Day 3 · Side Event

Monday, June 29, 2026 — Venue: Grameen Telecom Bhaban

Academia Dialogue

3ZERO Club Convention