

Press Release

Bangladesh-China Joint Economic Commission 14th Session
Held in Dhaka on 22 August, 2016

The 14th session of the Bangladesh-China Joint Economic Commission was held in Dhaka on 22 August, 2016. Bangladesh delegation was led by Mr. Mohammad Mejbahuddin, Senior Secretary, Economic Relations Division, Ministry of Finance and the Chinese delegation was led by H.E. Ms. Gao Yan, Vice Minister, Ministry of Commerce. Representatives from Ministry of Commerce of China including Eximbank and representatives from concerned ministries of Bangladesh attended the JEC meeting.

The meeting was held in a cordial atmosphere and the full range of bilateral relations was discussed in the meeting to further strengthen cooperation between Bangladesh and China in various fields. The core objective of the Joint Commission session was to explore the possibility of enhancing cooperation in the areas of bilateral trade, economic and investment.

Bilateral trade and economic relationship was reviewed in the meeting. Implementation of the economic and trade arrangement agreed upon by leaders of the two countries was also reviewed. Issues relating to strengthening cooperation on Chinese assistance to Bangladesh; enhancing cooperation on major projects, strengthening the cooperation on trade and investment; and promotion of the cooperation on industrial zones were discussed in the meeting. Bangladesh requests China to increase financial assistance under grant and concessional loan. Bangladesh also requested the Chinese side to reduce the trade imbalance to a reasonable level.

Both side reiterated to further strengthen the bilateral relation in the coming days. The two parties agreed that the 15th meeting of Joint Commission will be held in China in 2018 at a convenient date to be agreed upon through mutual consultation.

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