

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
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Economic Relations Division (ERD)

JEC at a Glance

One of the important tasks of ERD is to arrange Joint Economic Commission (JEC)/Joint Commission (JC) /Joint Economic Committee meeting with the bi-lateral countries and multi-lateral organizations.

- Bangladesh has Joint Economic Commission (JEC)/Joint Commission (JC) agreements with 18 counterparts: India, Pakistan, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Malaysia, Indonesia, Viet Nam, China, Thailand, South Korea, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Kuwait, United Arab Emirates, Romania, Turkey, and EU.
- The prime objective of JEC/JC meeting is to explore the possibility of enhancing bi-lateral cooperation between the two countries and put effective measures by the respective government in order to get a comparative advantage prevailed in each country.
- Joint Commission is an effective forum to discuss extensively the bi-lateral relationship between the two countries. It gives two fold of opportunity; in one hand, to take the stock of activities implemented so far as agreed during the previous meetings and on the other hand to foster future avenues of cooperation. Whole gamut of the bi-lateral relations such as Political, Economic, Trade, Industrial, Investment, Civil Aviation, Cultural, Shipping, Education, Health, Export of Labor force etc are usually discussed extensively during the meeting. Agreed Minutes are signed after the Joint Economic Commission/Joint Commission meetings.
- Arranging Joint Economic Commission/Joint Commission meeting involves a number of tasks. The JEC desk officer needs to coordinate with the relevant Ministries/Divisions/Agencies, ii) to take care of administrative arrangement of the meeting and most importantly iii) to prepare the brief, agenda, formation of delegation, talking points, running notes, Draft agreed minutes and press release.
- After the JEC/JC meeting ERD monitor the follow-up action of the decisions from time to time of JEC/JC meeting and arrange follow-up meeting at least twice in a year with the concerned Ministries/Divisions/Agencies.
- The JEC/JC meetings are organized by three different wings of ERD. But JEC Section acts as the coordinator of all JEC/JC meeting.

Responsible Wings in ERD for holding JEC with different Countries/Organization are given below:

Sl No.	Name of Wing	Name of Countries
01	Asia & JEC wing	China, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Viet Nam.
02	Admin & Middle East Wing	Iran, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Turkey and United Arab Emirates.
03	Europe Wing	Romania and EU.