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On
Exclusive North East Products Market Promotion
Programme in Dhaka, Bangladesh
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Exclusive North East Products Market Promotion Programme in Dhaka, Bangladesh

The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) in association with the Indian High Commission, Dhaka, Bangladesh, supported by Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI), Indian Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (IBCCI) had organised a two days market promotion programme from 4th to 5th March 2018, particularly focussing products from the North East Region to provide a platform for the exporters from India to extend their business interest. A total number of 14 exporters from India participated from India including exporters from North East. APEDA officials who organised the event were Ms. Sunita Rai, Asst. General Manager and Mr Surender Pal, Asst. General Manager.

India and Bangladesh share a special relationship which is rooted in a common cultural heritage and by common aspirations of the people. These relations have witnessed a substantial upswing over the past decade overcoming several challenges. Bangladesh is also one of the largest importers for Indian produce.

The export of agricultural and processed foods to Bangladesh during the year last 3 years is valued at 1,134.74 US\$ Mill, 585.2 US\$ Mill and 395.42 US\$ Mill (**Fig1.**) The main products imported by Bangladesh from India includes Fresh fruits & vegetables, Onions, cereal preparations, basmati, non basmati rice, maize, dairy products, pulses, natural honey, dried & preserved vegetables, groundnuts etc.

The focused products from India in the two days Buyer Seller Meet were products ranging from fresh fruits and vegetables, processed products, basmati and non basmati rice, biscuits and bakery products, honey, dairy products, boneless buffalo meat etc.

Advantage India

- Seasonality of produce
- Availability of products in volume
- Price competitiveness
- Adherence to Quality & Food Safety

India as a reliable supplier

- Wide variety of Fruit and Vegetable Basket
- Availability for most part of the year, for most fruit and vegetables
- Economies of Scale, due to large production base
- Well established supply chain, from farm to port
- Well established network of organizations, ensuring Quality
- Market access to many countries

Trade Statistics

India Export of Agro Food Products Country Report/Product Group Wise

Value in Rs. Crore & US\$ Mill
Qty In MT

Country: Bangladesh

Product	2014-15		2015-16		2016-17	
	Qty	US\$ Mill	Qty	US\$ Mill	Qty	US\$ Mill
Fresh Onions	4,56,734.50	127.71	4,22,075.65	145	8,46,869.86	145.83
Other Fresh Fruits	85,258.66	29.96	1,02,967.27	45.75	1,02,966.73	38.54
Cereal Preparations	11,052.12	39.06	10,122.81	35.44	10,544.56	34.73
Non Basmati Rice	12,68,342.81	450.07	3,25,050.18	134.1	82,688.19	29.82
Miscellaneous Preparations	5,364.17	23.55	5,885.46	21.14	7,599.59	27.58
Maize	3,63,950.53	89	1,85,877.02	51.18	36,337.77	20.72
Other Fresh Vegetables	24,785.73	7.58	17,218.83	9.97	47,891.92	19.12
Dairy Products	10,490.32	36.89	5,359.84	14.61	7,092.68	18.59
Fruits & Vegetables Seeds	5,329.58	9.08	5,683.92	12.05	6,952.87	15.7
Fresh Grapes	3,562.02	2.14	8,786.02	5.45	38,358.82	15.62
Wheat	11,23,304.18	311.58	3,78,600.00	93	37,270.00	9.1
Pulses	373.33	0.18	2,244.44	2.14	2,470.13	3.91
Cocoa Products	382.45	0.96	840.21	1.81	1,124.08	3.88
Other Processed Fruits & Vegetables	4,373.46	1.76	2,715.09	2.23	11,909.91	3.58
Basmati Rice	818.1	1.04	745.25	0.88	1,657.66	1.81
Natural Honey	357.01	0.77	516.67	1.17	717.45	1.49
Jaggery & Confectionery	536.92	0.73	723.89	1.08	1,115.06	1.24
Dried & Preserved Vegetables	505.57	0.52	662.82	0.79	918.29	1.09
Groundnuts	313.74	0.4	1,616.00	1.99	717.5	0.85
Other Cereals	806.5	0.28	1,601.43	0.59	2,229.32	0.83
Buffalo Meat	0	0	0	0	166	0.42
Fresh Mangoes	2,475.33	0.78	46.3	0.01	1,158.20	0.4
Mango Pulp	251.91	0.21	142.73	0.13	301.22	0.22
Floriculture	272.08	0.09	299	0.24	78.58	0.14
Milled Products	238.06	0.09	15,538.66	3.85	372.37	0.12
Guargum	529.02	0.15	26.5	0.07	16.73	0.04
Alcoholic Beverages	4.3	0.1	499.23	0.53	10.8	0.03
Cucumber and Gherkins(Prepd. & Presvd)	0	0	0	0	7.59	0.01
Poultry Products	0	0	0	0	2.46	0.01
Walnuts	0.12	0	0.34	0	2.06	0
Albumin(Eggs & Milk)	1	0	0.09	0	0.76	0
Casein	10.75	0.06	0	0	0.21	0
Total	33,70,424.27	1,134.74	14,95,845.65	585.2	12,49,549.37	395.42

Source: DGCIS Annual Export

Inaugural Ceremony of the Market Promotion Programme in Dhaka, Bangladesh

The Indian Agro products Buyers-Sellers Meet was inaugurated by His Excellency, M.A Mannan, Hon'ble State Minister, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh as the chief guest along with the Indian High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh, Dhaka, HE Harsh Vardhan Shringla in presence of Shri Md. Shafiul Islam, President, FBCCI and Mr. Abdul Matlub Ahmad, President IBCCI.

In her welcome speech, Ms. Sunita Rai, APEDA welcomed the Chief guest, other dignitaries, exporters, importers, business/trade community from Bangladesh asserting on the fact the BSM will provide an opportunity for the business community from India and Bangladesh. She highlighted on India's strength and special relationship India shares with Bangladesh. She emphasized on the fact that agriculture is the primary source of livelihood for about 58% of India's population, with 180 million hectares agricultural land, contributing to 16% of GDP & 12% of export earnings. India is the second largest producer of many fruits and vegetables, it ranks first in fruits like mango, banana production etc. It also ranks 1st in milk production. The country possesses 15 major climates and 46 soil types in the world. The country is among the 10 leading exporters of agricultural products in the world, with emphasis on Food safety and quality assurance by implementation of food safety law in 2006 through FSSAI. India is giving strong emphasis on the development of agriculture, including the livestock sector, to increase food production and doubling the farmers' income through exports of agricultural products in the world.

The Chief guest HE MA Mannan, in his speech exhorted that India has been a very close friend of our country for years. He also mentioned that Guwahati, an Indian state is a rising economy and Bangladesh can do well in that market.

Speakers from Bangladesh have voiced their requirement for technical support in the agricultural sector in Bangladesh so that local demand of agricultural resources can be met through development. The local business sought Indian Cooperation in food processing with technical support to set up cold storage for preservation of agro-products, standard quality maintenance packaging, preservation and transportation in Bangladesh.



(From Left to Right Shri Shaftul Islam, president FBCCI, HE Shri Hasrhvardhan Shringla, High Commissioner, HCI, Dhaka, HE, Shri MA Mannan, Finance Minister, Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Shri . Abdul Matlab Ahmad, IBCCI President, APEDA AGMs Sunita Rai & Surender Pal)



(From Left to right, president FBCCI, Indian High Commissioner, Dhaka, His Excellency, Finance Minister, Govt. of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, President, AGM APEDA Sunita Rai)



(Participants from India)



(Interaction with the exporters)



(Visit to the BSM booths)



(Interaction with the participants)



(Interaction with the participants)



(Registration of Buyers)



(One to One interaction: Buyer-Seller)



(Business to Business)

Market visit to super market in Dhaka, Bangladesh

In order to understand the products imported by Bangladesh and the product matrix, the exporters was taken to fruit and vegetable market and super markets to have a firsthand view of the available commodities in the market.



(North East exporters trying to assess the quality of fresh ginger)



(Interaction with the exporters)



(Rice exporters trying to understand the rice variants)



(Processed Food Exporters trying to understand the various imported processed food products at the store)



(Participants after the Market Visit)

Response of the BSM, Bangladesh

Total Number of Indian Exhibitors:

Out of 17 confirmed exporters, 14 exporters participated in the BSM (3 exhibitors could not attend due to personal reasons). Booths were made for these participating exporters to display their products.

Business Generated/negotiated:

At the preparing of this report on 31.03.2018, all the participating exporters have received various queries, order deals which are in the final stage.

M/s Y Cook India Private Ltd, Bangalore have send their first consignment of ready to eat corn etc to Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Root Trade Corporation, Bangladesh requires rice, red chilli, ginger, garlic, basmati would like to import worth 100 crores Bangladeshi takka from India.

Exporters from North East region have also received orders for fresh ginger, oranges, chillies, onion, rice.

M/s Green Valley Rice Tech Pvt Ltd, Assam order is in final stage. As part of the negotiation, 3 Bangladeshi importers visited the rice unit in March via land route through Dawki, for which necessary visa facilitation was extended by the High Commission India, Dhaka, coordinated by APEDA.

Similarly based on the feedback from the participating exporters, all were of the opinion that Bangladesh is a good market and for their business orders to mature will take some time.

Number of Buyers visited: Around 130 visitors/buyers/traders

Products of interest

The buyers were interested in sourcing the following commodities.

- Fresh fruits & vegetables
- Basmati & non basmati rice
- Fresh Onions
- Processed foods like Ready To Eat corns etc
- Other processed foods
- Spices
- Some buyers evinced interest to source medicinal & aromatic plants particularly aloe vera extracts.

The overall response of the buyer seller meet at Bangladesh (Dhaka) was very good and a good footfall of the buyers has been seen during the course of the BSM.

List of exporters who participated and exhibited their products

Sl. No.	Name of the Exporter
1.	AASRAY CONCEPT FOODS, AMINGAON, ASSAM
2.	AMBROSIA INDUSTRIES, DAGAON, ASSAM
3.	BARMAN INTERNATIONAL, GUWAHATI, ASSAM
4.	MAISHAH INTERNATIONAL PVT LTD, GUWAHATI, ASSAM
5.	GREEN VALLEY RICE TECH PVT LTD, ABHOYPUR, ASSAM

6.	KLA INDIA PUBLIC LIMITED, RUDRAPUR, UTTARAKHAND
7.	Y-COOK INDIA PRIVATE LTD, BANGALORE, KARNATAKA
8.	NATURAL CONDIMENTS & FRUITS COMPANY, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL
9.	RISHABH INTERNATIONAL, PANEPAT, HARYANA
10.	CRUSHERS FRUIT JUICE COMPANY, KOLKAT, WEST BENGAL
11.	KLA FOODS INDIA LIMITED, RUDRAPUR, UTTARAKHAND
12.	BHARAT AGENCIES, NAGPUR, MAHARASHTRA
13.	RALLI SINGH PVT, KOLKATA, MAHARASHTRA
14.	GURUJI THANDAIWALA PVT LTD, KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL

Recommendations:

1. Market Promotion programme to neighbouring countries like Bangladesh, Myanmar, Nepal, Bhutan may be done on regular basis to promote exports from India, particularly from the North East Region (NER).
2. We may repeat Market Promotion Programme to Bangladesh encouraging more exporters from the NER. If possible, some form of incentives may be given to participating exporters from North East to encourage these exporters since many of the exporters from NER are 1st generation exporters.

News Clippings of the Programme

NEWAGE
 The outspoken daily www.newagebd.net Dhaka, Monday, March 5, 2018, Phalgun 21, 1424 BS

2-day Indian agro products buyers-sellers meet begins in Dhaka
 Staff Correspondent

THE two-day Indian Agro Products Buyers-Sellers Meet began in Dhaka on Sunday to promote the exports of agricultural and processed food products from India to Bangladesh.

State minister for finance MA Mannan inaugurated the exhibition at the Sonargaon Hotel in the city.

Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) of India, Ministry of Commerce and Industries, Government of India.

State minister for finance MA Mannan inaugurates the two-day Indian agro products buyers-sellers meet at the Sonargaon Hotel in Dhaka on Sunday. India high commissioner to Bangladesh Harsh Vardhan Shringla, FBCCI president Md Shafiu Islam (Mohiuddin) and IBCCI president Abdul Matlub Ahmad were also present at the opening session of the meet. — New Age Photo



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 Dhaka Monday March 5 2018, Phalgun 21, 1424 (BS) Jamadi-us-Sani 16, 1439H. Regd. No. Da 110—www.thedailynewnation.com, 16 Pages—Tk. 8

Business & Economy

Commodity Price (CNN)	Oil \$ 61.45 Change: +0.45 Per Barrel
Currency Rate (AB Bank)	US Dollar Buy: 82.50 Sell: 83.49



State Minister for Finance M A Mannan, inaugurating 'The Indian Agro Products Buyers-Sellers Meet 2018' at a hotel in the city on Sunday organized by the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority, India association with the the India-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IBCCI), Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Harsh Vardhan Shringla, FBCCI President Md. Shafiu Islam (Mohiuddin) and IBCCI President Abdul Matlub Ahmad were also present.



Bangladesh State Minister for Finance MA Mannan, flanked among others by FBCCI President Md Shafiul Islam (Mohiuddin), Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Harsh Vardhan Shringa and IBCCI President Abdul Matlub Ahmad scissoring a ribbon to inaugurate a two-day buyers-sellers meet on Indian agro products at a city hotel on Sunday.

Event kicks off to introduce Indian agro products in BD

Staff Correspondent

A two day buyers-sellers meet on Indian agro products starts in the city on Sunday. APEIDA (Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority) under India's ministry of commerce organised the meet in association with the High Commission of India and supported by Federation of Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI) and India-

Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IBCCI). Bangladesh State Minister for Finance MA Mannan was the chief guest at the event while FBCCI President Md Shafiul Islam (Mohiuddin), Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Harsh Vardhan Shringa and IBCCI President Abdul Matlub Ahmad were the special guests at the inaugural session of the event held at Panpacific Sonargaon hotel in the capital. The chief guest praised

the initiative and hoped the meet would introduce Indian products to the Bangladeshi buyers. The export of APEIDA scheduled products to Bangladesh during financial year 2016-17 is to the tune of \$396.44 million. The major products exported to Bangladesh are vegetables, onion, dairy products, wheat, maize, cereal preparations, fruits, grapes, pulses, cocoa, honey, basmati rice, alcoholic beverages, mangoes, milled products, horticulture, groundnuts and others.

Star BUSINESS



MA Mannan, state minister for finance; Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Indian high commissioner to Bangladesh; Md Shafiul Islam, president of FBCCI, and Abdul Matlub Ahmad, president of IBCCI, open "The Indian agro products buyers-sellers meet 2018" at the Sonargaon hotel in Dhaka yesterday. The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (Apeida) of India in association with FBCCI and IBCCI organised the two-day event where some 20 Indian companies will showcase their export related agro and processed food items.

'Technical support will pave way for agricultural development'

Rafikul Islam

Speakers at the Indian Agro Products Buyers-Sellers' Meet 2018 have voiced their requirement for technical support in the agricultural sector in Bangladesh so that local demand of agricultural resources can be met through development.

The demand came up at a ceremony held at the Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel in Dhaka on Sunday.

The ceremony was organized by the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) under the Indian Ministry of Commerce and Industry, in association with the High Commission of India and supported by FBCCI and IBCCI. The speakers praised the initiative and inaugurated the program by cutting a symbolic ribbon.

The two day-long program is taking place at the Meghna Hall of Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel in Dhaka from March 4 to 5 (10am to 6pm).

Abdul Matlub Ahmad, president of the Indo-Bangla Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IBCCI) said: "We can produce many agricultural products, but we do not have the necessary technical support in the sector here."

"If we get the support, we can fulfil the country's demand and even though our geographical area is very small compared to India, we can yield all sorts of agricultural goods and export them worldwide," he added.

The export of APEDA-endorsed products to Bangladesh during 2016-2017 amounted to roughly \$396.44 million.

The major products exported to Bangladesh are basmati and non-basmati rice, fresh vegetables, wheat, maize, pulses, dried fruits, cocoa products, natural honey, molasses, confectioneries, dried and preserved vegetables, fresh mangoes, etc.

Bangladeshi State Minister for Finance M A Mannan, speaking as the chief guest said: "India has been a very close friend of our country for years. They are our natural friend, and Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina has retained the relationship."

"Guwahati is an Indian state that is a rising economy. Our businesses can take this opportunity and do well in that market. The entire South Asian economy can be changed for the better if our PM and the Indian PM work together to develop the economic base" he

added.

Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Harsh Vardhan Shringla said: "Around 17 delegates from India are participating in the Buyers-Sellers Meet in order to hold one-on-one business meetings."

"However, the main objective here is to promote the export of agricultural and processed food products from India along with the implementation of technical support. The program will provide a platform to explore mutually beneficial business opportunities contributing to better economic ties between the two countries," he said.

He also added that India has been able to increase its supply of agricultural products compared to previous years because of world class technical support. Non-tariff barriers will not be an obstacle, and Bangladesh will also have more to export to India.

Shafiu Islam Mohiuddin, president of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI) said: "We have a regional platform as neighbouring countries. We should improve our business relationship. It is about time we built on our relationship in the sector."

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State Minister for Finance MA Mannan, Indian High Commissioner in Bangladesh Harsh Vardhan Shringla, FBCCI President Shafiu Islam Mohiuddin and IBCCI President Abdul Matlub Ahmad are seen at the inaugural ceremony of the Indian Agro Buyers-Sellers Meet 2018 at Hotel Sonargaon in the capital on Sunday.

Seeking technical support from India, speakers at a programme on Sunday said that Bangladesh and India can work together to develop the agro and agro-based products as this sector still remains largely untapped.

They also said that Bangladesh produces many goods but most of those remain unexplored in the global market due to lack of technological advancement like modern preservation and processing system.

Speakers made the observations at the inauguration ceremony of 'The Indian Agro Buyers- Sellers Meet 2018' held at city's hotel on Sunday.

The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA) and the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce & Industries (FBCCI) and the India-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IBCCI) jointly organised the programme. State Minister of Finance MA Mannan attended the

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programme as the chief guest while High Commissioner of India to Bangladesh Harsh Vardhan Shringla, FBCCI President Shafiu Islam Mohiuddin, and IBCCI president Abdul Matlub Ahmad spoke on the occasion.

FBCCI president Shafiu Islam Mohiuddin said that the food production of Bangladesh has been increasing with an average 2 percent growth every year.

"We produce so many things, but unfortunately we don't have good storage and preservation system. The secondary market industry like processing of raw materials is very necessary. The opportunity to work together with India as they have that kind of technology", he said.

Country's private sector is coming up into the agro and agro-based products sector and now delivering the premium products. However, the agro, agro processing sector have remained untapped till now, FBCCI president added.

Echoing the same, IBCCI president said immense opportunities are lying in India for Bangladeshi businessmen, but there is a gap between the two country's traders. Giving example of onion trade, he said, "We (traders) need to know when to buy and how to store the products".

Former FBCCI president urged the two countries business people to explore the business opportunities in both countries and work together.

"Bangladesh is a good country to export and invest" said Matlub.

Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Harsh Vardhan Shringla said that there are many products which Bangladesh does not produce that much and the same in India as well. There remains a big opportunity to work together.

He also said that Bangladeshi companies have access in India and a couple of companies have already entered in Indian market and other can follow their footsteps. State minister for Finance said that the growing capacity of Bangladesh in agro and agro based products, fisheries and many other products is increasing and India-Bangladesh can work together for its development.

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(The Dhaka Tribune, 5 March Edition)

Businesses seek preservation tech to set up cold storage

Indian Agro Products Buyers-Sellers Meet 2018 begins

FE Report

Local businesses Sunday sought Indian cooperation in food processing with technical support to set up cold storage for preservation of agro-products in Bangladesh.

They made the call at the inaugural function of a two-day 'Indian Agro Products Buyers-Sellers Meet 2018' at a city hotel, amid the country's weakness in preservation system as compared to the agriculture produces.

State minister for finance MA Mannan was present as chief guest of the programme.

Agricultural and Processed Food Export Development Authority (APEDA) in association with the Indian High Commission in Dhaka organised the event, supported by the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI) and India-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and Industry (IBCCI).

Addressing the function, FBCCI president Shafiqul Islam (Mohiuddin) said that Bangladesh produces so many things, but doesn't have the preservation system that much.

"We do not have secondary industry like processing that is very important and necessary. We have the opportunity to collaborate with India," he said. India has the technology



A two-day 'Indian Agro Products Buyers-Sellers Meet' began at a city hotel on Sunday. — FE Photo

and the business community there could come forward to have that kind of industry here for the benefit of both the countries, said the apex trade body leader.

He said Bangladesh exports processed food and beverage worth US\$ 900 million, 60 per cent of which comes from shrimp

and fish. Bangladesh needed cooperation from India, especially in terms of standards, quality maintenance, packaging, preservation and transportation, he added.

He, however, mentioned that the North East and West Bengal of India have untapped potentials, espe-

cially in agro and agro-processing industry.

IBCCI president Abdul Matlub Ahmad said that Bangladesh grows agro products in abundance but cannot preserve, causing off-seasonal price spiral. India has cold storage facilities for onion as they consume onion most. The technology is not available in any other countries.

"We will set up 50 onion cold storages in Bangladesh and West Bengal, each having 500 tonnes of capacity. For this, we need modern technology, which only India can offer. We will stabilize the onion price," he said. India exports agro-pro-

ducts (including cotton) worth \$ 33.35 billion out of total export earnings of \$ 275.8 billion while bilateral trade between India and Bangladesh now stands at around \$ 1,135 million.

India exports to Bangladesh fresh fruits and vegetables, onion, cereal preparations, basmati and non-basmati rice, maize, dried and preserved vegetables and groundnuts.

Indian High Commissioner to Bangladesh Harsh Vardhan Shringla said India has a large food processing industry with a separate ministry on food processing. India imports food worth up to \$ 4.0 billion.

The scope for bilateral trade in food and food processing area is huge in terms of joint manufacturing, joint ventures and technology transfer as the industry size is \$ 25 billion, he added.

Regarding the complaints on visa for the Bangladeshi businesses, he said that Indian high commission issues five-year multiple-entry visa not only for big companies or groups but for the small and medium entrepreneurs too.

He said India has taken steps to remove few hindrances in exporting food products to India. The country also has agreed to accept the product certification by Bangladesh Standards and Testing Institution (BSTI). msshova@gmail.com

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State Minister of Finance MA Mannan, Indian High Commissioner Harsh Vardhan Shringla, FBCCI president Shafiqul Islam Mohiuddin, IBCCI president Abdul Matlub Ahmad at 'The Agro Products Buyers-Sellers Meet 2018' organized by the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA), India in the city yesterday. — Mostafizur Rahman

'Bangladesh needs technical support from India'

By Golam Rosul, AA

Bangladesh needs technical support from India for agricultural based products production and processed food export to Indian markets.

India-Bangladesh Chamber of Commerce and

Industry (IBCCI) President Abdul Matlub Ahmad told to the Asian Age yesterday after the inauguration ceremony of 'The Agro Products Buyers-Sellers Meet 2018' held at the Balcony, Pan Pacific Sonargaon in the capital. Matlub Ahmad said, "We work for well

farming and food processing for the price stabilization of the products. We think Bangladesh will be benefited from this program if India shares technical knowhow with us.

He said, "We export processed food to India, ▶See page 15 col 3

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A Bangladeshi conglomerate, Star Consortium, has signed an agreement in Gujarat to bring onion cold storage facility with world class technology, the Indian High Commissioner in Dhaka says while stressing joint ventures in food processing sector.

"India and Bangladesh can meet each other's needs as there are complementarities in the agro products growth or processed in our two countries," Harsh Varadhan Shringla said.

https://bdnews24.com/business/2018/03/05/bangladeshs-star-consortium-signs-deal-in-gujarat-to-bring-world-class-onion-cold-storage-facility

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He disclosed the signing of February on Sunday while speaking at a buyers-sellers meet in Dhaka where 20 Indian companies participated and showcased their both agricultural products and intermediate and finished food products.

The Indian Agro Products Buyer-Seller Meet organised by the Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority (APEDA).

The High Commissioner said Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his visit to Bangladesh in June 2015 had said that India and Bangladesh are not just "Paas Paas" (next to each other) but also "Saath Saath" (together).

"Indian and Bangladesh companies can also collaborate together to form joint ventures in the area of food processing," he said, adding that agricultural and processed food products have "great potential" for bilateral trade.

He said he was "happy" to note the signing of the Star Consortium.

With 180 million hectares of agricultural land, India produces a wide variety of fruits, vegetables, cereals and other agricultural product which are exported through a well-established supply chain from farm to ports, he said.

India also has a large food processing industry. India is amongst the ten leading exporters of food and food products in the world.

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এ দেশের বাজারে ভারতীয় পণ্যের রফতানি বাড়াবার উদ্যোগ নিয়েছেন ভারতীয় ব্যবসায়ীরা। এ জন্য দেশটির কৃষিপণ্যের দুই দিনের প্রদর্শনী আয়োজন করেছেন তারা। রাজধানীর সোনারগাঁও হোটেলের পত্রকাল রোববার সকালে শুরু হয়েছে ভারতীয় কৃষিজাত পণ্যের জেলা-বিক্রেতা সমাবেশ। ভারতের এগ্রিকালচারাল অ্যান্ড ফিশারিজ মন্ত্রক স্ট্রেটস এক্সপোর্ট ডেভেলপমেন্ট অথরিটি (এপিইডি) ও ঢাকাস্থ ভারতীয় হাই কমিশনের যৌথ আয়োজনে এই পণ্য প্রদর্শনীর উদ্বোধন করেন অর্থ ও পরিকল্পনা প্রতিমন্ত্রী এম এ মাদান। এ সময় ঢাকায় নিযুক্ত ভারতীয় হাই কমিশনার হর্ষবর্ধন শ্রিংলা, ব্যবসায়ীদের পীর শংকরন একবিসিপিআইএর সভাপতি সফিউল ইসলাম মহিউদ্দিন, ভারত-বাংলাদেশ চেম্বার অব কমার্স অ্যান্ড ইন্ডাস্ট্রি (আইবিসিপিআই) সভাপতি আবদুল মজিদ আহমাদ ও এপিইডিএর সহকারী মহাব্যবস্থাপক সুনীতি হাই সফিউল ইসলাম মহিউদ্দিন বলেন, কৃষিপণ্য সংরক্ষণ ও প্রক্রিয়াজাতকরণে দুই দেশ যৌথভাবে কাজ করলে উভয়েই উপকৃত হবে। হর্ষবর্ধন শ্রিংলা বলেন, ■ পৃষ্ঠা ১৭ : কলাম ৮

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