

Dhaka signs OIC Labour Centre Statute

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Online Desk : Bangladesh on Sunday officially signed the OIC Labour Centre Statute at the OIC headquarters in Jeddah of Saudi Arabia. On behalf of the Bangladesh government, Labour and Employment Adviser Brigadier General (retd) Dr M Sakhawat Hussain signed the Statute at a signing ceremony held at the OIC. The Labour Adviser was warmly greeted and received by Assistant Secretary General (ASG) for Economic Affairs of OIC, Dr Ahmad Kawesa Sengendo. Before the signing ceremony, the adviser held a meeting with OIC's Assistant Secretary General (ASG) for Economic Affairs Kawesa Sengendo.

During the meeting, the OIC's ASG noted that signing of such an important legal document as the Labour Centre Statute will contribute towards promoting labour rights and welfare in Bangladesh as a signatory country. Sakhawat pointed out that Bangladesh is a signatory of all ILO core conventions and protocols. Bangladesh government has taken remarkable measures to enhance factory safety and health, minimum wage and other welfare related benefits to the workers, he added.

The both sides stressed deeper understanding and closer cooperation in trade, investment and labour related issues. The adviser briefly informed the OIC officials about Bangladesh's burgeoning shipbuilding industry, which is employing a growing number of skilled and semiskilled labourers. Bangladesh Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the OIC M J H Jabed and senior officials of Ministry of Labour and Employment also attended the signing ceremony.