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Bangladesh Investment Summit

'The Rise of Bengal Tiger: Potentials of Trade & Investment in Bangladesh'

Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) and Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (BIDA) in partnership with Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) in association of Bangladesh Forum Qatar (BFQ) have organized Bangladesh Investment Summit on titled 'The Rise of Bengal Tiger: Potentials of Trade & Investment in Bangladesh' in Doha, Qatar on March 06, 2023 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at The St. Regis, Doha, Qatar. As a plan of organizing series of Bangladesh Investment Summit in different countries, it has been focusing to showcase Bangladesh Capital markets and Trade & Investment opportunities in Bangladesh to the global investors of different countries. The prime agenda of these summits is to portray Bangladesh and an attractive place for foreign investment with better returns and an improving scenario of the ease of doing business.

The first Bangladesh Investment Summit was successfully held in Dubai, UAE from February 9 to 12, 2021, which received overwhelming responses from both the NRB and foreign institutional and individual investors. With the enthusiastic participation of NRBs, Investors, officials and delegations from home and abroad, the summits of The Rise of Bengal: Potentials of Trade and Investment in Bangladesh have successfully been organizing in different countries where the Bangladeshi representatives have showcased and raised interests of Investors in Bangladesh.

In succession of the previous campaign, this time it has been arranged in Doha, Qatar. It is no longer a secret to the world how the economy of Bangladesh is blooming tremendously over the last decade. With the prominence in the leadership of our Honorable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina, Bangladesh has achieved many milestones and stepped into the next phase of the history since the last year's celebration of the Golden Jubilee of Independence and the Birth Centenary of the Father of the Nation. The world is about to witness the journey of Bangladesh towards prosperity.

In this program at Doha, the Honorable Prime minister of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Sheikh Hasina graced the occasion as chief guest and also inaugurated







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the Summit. This Summit is a key step in strengthening the partnership between Bangladesh and Qatar. H.E. Mr. Sultan Bin Rashid Al Khater, The Undersecretary of The Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Qatar and Mr. Yousuf Mohamed Al Jaidah, CEO, Qatar Financial Centre, glorified the Summit as the Guest of Honor and as the Special Guest respectively. Sheikha Alanaoud Al Thani, Deputy CEO of Qatar Financial Centre, Sheikh Faisal bin Qassim Al Thani, Chairman, Qatar Businessmen Association other Qatari organization's leaders along with other ambassadors of different countries were present

In the inaugural session, Sheikh Hasina greeted the people of Qatar and offered that Qatar Investors have the opportunity to receive special treatments in doing business in special economic zones that Bangladesh is currently establishing. She called upon the NRB investors to invest in the agro and food processing sector, one of the country's most promising. While assuring the foreign investors regarding doing good business in Bangladesh, the Prime Minister said, "her government's all out support for facilitating with all necessary infrastructures". In the welcome speech H. E. Mr. Nazrul Islam, Ambassador of Bangladesh to the State of Qatar said "he will extend his support in regards of investment in Bangladesh. Professor Shibli Rubayat-Ul-Islam, Chairman of Bangladesh Securities Exchange Commission, said: "Bangladesh always welcomes the foreign investors with better returns. Guest of Honor of the Inaugural session H.E. Mr. Sultan Bin Rashid Al Khater, The Undersecretary of The Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Qatar, said, they are happy to keep the bi-literal relationship with Bangladesh.

As the regulator of the capital markets, the major important sphere to accelerate trade and investment, Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC) is working hard for continuous development of the capital market to make it the main source of long-term financing. This series of roadshows is one of the major programs BSEC has initiated in recent years. The roadshows would showcase the robust economic growth and investment potential of Bangladesh, investment opportunities, available facilities, products and services for the NRBs and foreign investors. A team consisting of the top management of BSEC led by its Chairman Professor Shibli Rubayat-Ul-Islam visited Qatar to facilitate the RoadShow along with other representatives from the concerned ministries and regulatory authorities.

Dignitaries including Dr. A. K. Abdul Momen, MP, Foreign Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Mr. Tipu Munshi, MP, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Commerce, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Mr. Mohammad Tofazzel Hossain Miah, Principal Secretary to HPM, Prime Minister's Office, Mr. Masud Bin Momen, Foreign Secretary (Senior Secretary), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Tapan Kanti Ghosh, Senior Secretary, Ministry of Commerce Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Mr. Lokman Hossain Miah, Executive Chairman (Senior Secretary), Bangladesh Investment Development Authority (BIDA), Professor Shibli Rubayat-Ul-Islam, Chairman, Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC), Ms. Fatima Yasmin, Senior Secretary, Finance Division, Ministry of Finance, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Ms. Sharifa Khan, Secretary, Economic Relations Division, Ministry of Finance







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Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Mr. Mahbubul Alam, Executive Director, Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC), Md. Ariful Haque, Director, Bangladesh Investment Development Authority, Mr. Md. Kawsar Ali, Additional Director, Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC), Mr. Md. Rashidul Alam, Joint Director, Bangladesh Securities and Exchange Commission (BSEC), Ms. Uzma Chowdhury, Director, Pran Group, Ms. Ayesha Aziz, Director, Summit Group, among other private sectors leaders attended the Summit.

The event also had a high level panel discussion moderated by Dr. Shiban Khan, AVP, Bangladesh Forum Qatar, participated by Sheikha Alanoud bint Hamad Al-Thani- DCEO QFC, Mr. Mohammad Ghofrane, CEO, Retaj Group and Ms. Sara Daniel, CEO, Doha Tech Angel (DTA) from Qatar side and Ms. Ayesha Aziz, Director, Summit Power Group, Ms. Uzma Khan, Director, Pran-RFL Group, and Mr. Tapan Kanti Shaha, Senior Secretary, Ministry of Commerce from Bangladesh side. All the panelist highlighted different aspects of investment opportunities in Bangladesh. It was also proposed by the panelists to form a Qatar-Bangladesh joint business forum to formulate strategies to enhance the relationship to the next level. All the panelists agreed that both Qatar and Bangladesh can develop a unique complementary relationship where both countries can mutually benefit of capital flow and potential consumer market of 160 Million people.

A spontaneous MoU was signed between QFC and Summit Group to increase joint collaboration in investing in the power and energy sector in Bangladesh. The agreement signing was witnessed by the honorable Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina and Yousuf Al Jaida, CEO, QFC.

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