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Urban Management of Internal Migration due to Climate Change/ Urban Management of Migration and Livelihoods (UMIMCC/ UMML) Project

Closing Conference

27 September 2023, 09:00 – 14:30

Venue: Radisson, Antara Hall (Level-1).

BACKGROUND AND CONCEPT

In Bangladesh, climate change is considered one of the greatest future risks for the sustainable development of the country. Migration is one of the key strategies used by poor and vulnerable households in Bangladesh to adapt to changing living conditions. However, internal migration can reinforce acute vulnerability and further exacerbate conflicts if migrants receive little public support and are forced to live in urban slums with inadequate infrastructure and without access to basic services and income opportunities. Against this background, the *Urban Management of Internal Migration due to Climate Change/ Urban Management of Migration and Livelihood* (UMIMCC/UMML) project aimed to improve the living conditions of climate migrants and urban vulnerable poor in selected cities of Bangladesh.

This final conference aims to share and discuss the experiences and findings of more than five years of implementation with a wide range of relevant stakeholders. At the centre are the numerous learning experiences and promising approaches in the areas of climate-induced internal migration, the creation of sustainable livelihoods, and sustainable urban development, as well as the challenges that arise in these areas. This can generate valuable insights for future initiatives to address climate-induced internal migration in an integrated manner. The project's key recommendations for the national policy dialogue have been summarised in a policy brief and will be shared and discussed at the conference. The main objective of the conference is to stimulate policy makers' and practitioners' future engagements and commitments for the sustainable integration of climate migrants.

The event, scheduled for 27 September 2023, will feature presentations on the project's achievements and evidence-based solutions, and will foster constructive policy dialogue among key stakeholders such as the Ministry of Social Welfare, local governments, development partners and international organisations. A panel discussion will be held with representatives from the Delegation of the European Union, German Development Cooperation, representatives from the partner cities, the Bureau of Manpower, Employment and Training, and Academia. In addition, beneficiaries and implementing partners of the project will attend the conference and share successful approaches, activities and case studies from Khulna, Satkhira, Barishal, Rajshahi and Sirajganj in a marketplace.

Relevant national media will attend the event and include this in their coverage.

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Time	Activity
09:00 – 09:30	Registration & Welcome Tea
09:30 – 09:50	Opening Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Opening Speech by Alexander Dörzenbach, Project Manager, GIZ BD ▪ Welcome remarks by Additional Secretary, Jobaida Begum, Ministry of Social Welfare ▪ Speech by Edwin Koekkoek, Team Leader, Delegation to the European Union to Bangladesh ▪ Overview of the event and objectives by Moderator Mostafijur Rahman
09:50 – 10:10	UMIMCC/ UMML approach and results <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Insights on climate migration and livelihood challenges by Jahan Ara, Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Social Welfare and PD of UMIMCC/UMML
10:10 – 10:20	Key recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Key recommendations generated from the project implementation experience, shared by Alexander Dörzenbach, Project Manager, GIZ BD
10:20 – 10:25	Speech of Community Development Committee (CDC) Leader, Rokeya Rahman
10:25 – 10:45	Coffee Break
10:45 – 12:30	Panel Discussion: Successful practices of livelihood improvement for climate migrants and vulnerable poor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Introduction to the session by the Moderator, Dr. Dana de la Fontaine, Cluster Coordinator, GIZ BD ▪ Panellists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Florian Höllen, Head of Development Cooperation, German Embassy BD ○ Edwin Koekkoek, Team Leader, Delegation to the European Union to Bangladesh ○ Md. Salah Uddin, Director Training Operation, Bureau of Manpower, Training and Development ○ Prof. Saleemul Huq, International Centre for Climate Change and Development ○ Dr. Abu Saleh Mostafa Kamal, Director General, Department of Social Services (DSS) ○ Talukder Abdul Khaleque, Mayor, Khulna City Corporation ▪ Open discussion/questions by plenary <p>Short floor for all mayors</p>
12:30 – 13:00	Closing Session with Speeches <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Special Guest, Honourable State Minister, Md. Ashraf Ali Khan Khasru, MP, Ministry of Social Welfare ▪ Special Guest, His Excellency Ambassador Charles Whiteley, Delegation to the European Union to Bangladesh ▪ Chief Guest, Honourable Minister Nuruzzaman Ahmed, MP, Ministry of Social Welfare ▪ Chair, Md Jahangir Alam, Secretary, Ministry of Social Welfare
13:00 – 13:05	Handover of Success Story Booklet to the Minister & Picture Opportunity
13:05 – 13:30	Marketplace Walk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Market stands showing the intervention areas and key milestones of the project ▪ Every market stand will be represented by representatives of the beneficiaries (CDCs) and Social Services Officers (DSS) of the cities



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Open End Networking Lunch

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