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#### **New President of FBCCI**



#### Mahbubul Alam President, FBCCI

Mr. Mahbubul Alam, a distinguished business leader from the scenic region of Raozan, Gohira, Chattogram, Bangladesh, has assumed the prestigious role of President of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI) on August 14, 2023. With a tremendous career spanning four decades, Mr. Mahbubul Alam has emerged as an influential figure in the Bangladeshi business landscape, renowned for his commitment, integrity, and relentless pursuit of excellence.

Born on February 1, 1958, Mr. Mahbubul Alam's journey in the business world commenced in 1982 when he founded Alam Trading Corporation. Starting as a commodity trader in Khatunganj, he quickly ascended in the business community. His popularity among traders led him to become the President of the Khatunganj Trade and Industry Association, a testament to his growing influence.

Under his visionary leadership, Mr. Mahbubul Alam expanded his horizons, diversifying his investments into nine different sectors. Today, his brainchild, M Alam Group, boasts 19 successful enterprises, employing over 3000 individuals and generating an impressive cumulative annual turnover of USD 900 Million. His commitment to integrity, transparency, and societal accountability has been influential in his success.

Mr. Mahbubul Alam, as the President, served the Chittagong Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI) for five consecutive terms, from 2013 to 2023. He transformed CCCI into a hub for Bangladesh's industries and businessmen, focusing on Chittagong's development as a global trade center. His visionary leadership resulted in the construction of the World Trade Center in Chittagong, fostering trade and growth in the region.

As the Honorary Consul of Japan in Chattogram, he fostered Japanese investments in Bangladesh, contributing significantly to the country's economic growth. Mr. Mahbubul Alam is a committed philanthropist, exemplified by the Anowara Alam Foundation, dedicated to uplifting the less privileged and advancing community development.

His exceptional contributions to the industrial sector earned him the Commercially Important Person (CIP) awards from the Ministry of Industries and the Ministry of Commerce.

Furthermore, the World Customs Organization recognized his exceptional service with a Certificate of Merit, highlighting his global impact.

Mr. Mahbubul Alam serves as the chairman of various esteemed companies, each representing diverse business interests, including steel, energy, insurance, healthcare, and more. His entrepreneurial versatility is showcased through his involvement in commodity trading, a sector where he initiated his journey to success.

Beyond the national level, Mr. Mahbubul Alams impact extended to the international arena. The World Customs Organization (WCO) honored him with a Certificate of Merit for rendering exceptional service to the international Customs community. This recognition highlighted his commitment to fostering international trade and cooperation, further solidifying his position as a global business leader. Furthermore, He also served as the vice president of the SAARC Chamber, the Apex trade organization of the South Asian Region.

As the President of FBCCI, Mr. Alam is poised to usher in a new era of growth and prosperity. His primary focus areas include strengthening trade relations, empowering SMEs, promoting digital transformation, advocating for sustainable growth, and fostering business-friendly policies.

Mr. Mahbubul Alam's journey from a commodity trader to the President of FBCCI is a testament to his untiring determination, visionary leadership, and commitment to serving Bangladesh. With a clear vision for the future, a successful track record in diverse sectors, and a dedication to sustainable and inclusive growth, he is set to make an indelible mark on the nation's economic development in the years to come, leaving a lasting legacy of excellence and progress.







### New office Bearers of FBCCI for the term 2023-2025



Md. Amin Helaly Senior Vice President

Mr. Md. Amin Helaly, the Senior Vice President of the FBCCI, is a highly accomplished business owner, trade association leader, and social worker. With over thirty years of entrepreneurial experience, he has successfully expanded his business ventures, including Doshdisha Group, and has actively engaged in social welfare initiatives. Mr. Helaly's leadership skills, problem-solving abilities, and dedication to public service have made him a prominent figure in the Bangladeshi business community, earning him key roles in various trade bodies and social organizations.



Md. Khairul Huda (Chopol) Vice President

Mr. Md. Khairul Huda (Chopol), serves as the Vice President of FBCCI and is a successful entrepreneur, leading Euro-Petro Product Ltd. He's engaged in various ventures, including RHS EPC Ltd, M/S Noor Trading, and M/S Ramisa Enterprise, Holding multiple roles in trade bodies and social organizations, he's the Chairman of Sunamgani Sadar Upazila Parishad and former Director of SAARC CCI. With a Master of Social Science from the University of Dhaka in 1994, he's active in business, social work, and humanitarian



Shoml Kalser Vice President

Ms. Shomi Kalser, the Vice President of FBCCI, is a highly accomplished individual with extensive experience in corporate and social communications. She holds key positions in various organiza-tions, including the President of the e-Commerce Association of Bangladesh (E-CAB). She has significant contribution in developing the Digital Commerce Policy and Digital Commerce Ecosystem in last 7 to 8 years. She has a strong track record of working with both private and public sectors, contributing to numerous campaigns and initiatives aimed at social development and economic growth. She is known for her active involvement in cultural and social movements supporting democracy, human rights and spirits of 1971 in Bangladesh.



Mohammad Anwar Sadat Sarker Vice President

Mr. Mohammad Anwar Sadat Sarker, currently serving as the Vice President of FBCCI, plays a pivotal role in representing the Gazipur Chamber of Commerce and Industry. With an illustrious career, he also holds the position of President at the Gazipur Chamber of Commerce and Industry. As the Proprietor of Global Trade, he exhibits diverse business interests across multiple sectors, showcasing his extensive expertise and commitment to the business community.



Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury Ronni Vice President

Mr. Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury Ronni is a prominent businessman with an extensive career in various industries. He currently serves as the Vice President of the FBCCI. As the CEO of Maya Corporation Real Estate and Best Western Plus Maya Hotel, he has a strong presence in the real estate and hospitality sectors. Additionally, his leadership roles in garment exports, private radio, agri-business, construction, and franchise restaurants demonstrate his diverse business acumen. Mr. Ronni's involvement in multiple professional associations highlights his commitment to the business community's growth and development.



Dr. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath Vice President

Dr. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, currently serving as the Vice President of FBCCI has a notable career as the Managing Director of Technomedia Ltd. With a PhD in Finance and banking, he has received multiple awards, including the Bangabandhu Industrial Award and CIP recognition from the Government of Bangladesh. Beyond his professional accomplishments, he actively participates in various social and political activities, demonstrating a versatile and impactful leadership profile.



Md. Munir Hossain Vice President

Mr. Md. Munir Hossain, Vice President of FBCCI and former Director of BGMEA, is the Director of Vertex Group, a leading player in Bangladesh's readymade garment sector. He holds positions as Senior Vice President at BTCCI, Director of the Shippers' Council of Bangladesh, & Exporters Association of Bangladesh. With prior roles as VP of the Shippers' Council of Bangladesh, he's known for his versatile leadership. Active in social and political spheres, Mr. Md. Munir Hossain embodies impactful leadership.



#### **Chamber Group**

#### **Association Group**



Hasina Newaaz



Md. Rejaul Kariem Rejnu, CIP



Muntakim Ashraf



Mir Nizam Uddin Ahmed



Dilip Kumar Agarwala



M.A Razzak Khan



Nizamuddin Rajesh



Abu Motaleb



Khan Ahmed Shovo, MP



Mohammed Bazlur Rahman



Khandaker Ruhul Amin



Hafez Hazi Harun-Or-Rashid (CIP)



Tabarakul Tosaddek Hossain Khan (Titu)



Mohammed Riyadh Ali



Hafez Hazi Mohammad Enayet Ullah



B.M. Shoeb







#### **Chamber Group**



Md. Ataur Rahman Bhuiya



Alhaj Azizul Hoque



**Association Group** 

Serajul Islam



Md. Shahidul Haque Molla



Md. Masudur Rahman Milon



Rtn. Engr. Mohabbat Ullah



Kausar Ahmed



Md. Rakibul Alam (Dipu)



Md. Ali Hossain (Shishir)



Mohammad Igbal Shahriar



Mohammad Aftab Jabed



Md. Niaz Ali Chisty



Md. Shah Jalal



Dr. Azam Khan Noman



Mohd. Ishagul Hossain Sweet



Md. Amir Hossain Noorani







#### Chamber Group





Mohammad Fayazur Rahman Bhuiyan



Md. Shahabuddin



Syed Md. Bakhtiar



Tapan Kumer Majumder



Alauddin



Abu Murshed Chowdhury



Salma Hossain Ash



Haji Md. Abul Hashem



Fakhorus Salehin Nahian



Kazi Aminul Haque







#### Association Group



Md. Habib Ullah Dawn



A.K.M Salim Osman, M.P.



Sheikh Kabir Hossain



Faruque Hassan



Md. Nazrul Islam Mazumder



S.M. Shafiuzzaman



K.M. Akhtaruzzaman



Kazi Belayet Hossain



Alamgir Shamsul Alamin Kajal



Mohammad Ali Khokon



Khondakar Enayet Ullah



Md. Iqbal Hossain Chowdhury



Md. Abul Hossain



Mohammed Abul Basher



Taslim Ahmed Russell



Tasfia Jashim







#### Chamber Group



Fakhorus Salehin Nahian



Kazi Aminul Haque



Naaz Farhana Ahmed



Md. Saiful Islam



Abul Kasem Khan



Priti Chakraborty



Sujib Ranjan Dash



Mohammad Nizam Uddin



Md. Shamsuzzaman



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A M Mahbub Chowdhury



Md. Rezaul Islam Milon



Dr. Munal Mahbub



Samiul Haque Safa



Falah Uddin Ali Ahmed



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#### TRIBUTE TO FATHER OF THE NATION

### New Board paid homage to Father of the Nation





FBCCI has paid homage at the Portrait of Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at Dhanmondi, Dhaka on the occasion of National Mourning Day. The New Board of Directors of FBCCI led by President

Mr. Mahbubul Alam paid tribute by placing a floral wreath on the portrait of Bangabandhu at Dhanmondi Road-32 in the capital.

FBCCI Senior Vice President Md. Amin Helaly, Vice President Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath Shomi Kaiser, Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni), Md. Munir Hossain, Directors, General body members, and others were present at the program.









#### New Board paid homage to Father of the Nation



FBCCI has paid homage at the mausoleum of the Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman at Tungipara, Gopalganj on the occasion of National Mourning Day. The New Board of Directors of FBCCI led by President Mr. Mahbubul Alam paid tribute by placing a floral wreath on the mausoleum of the Bangabandhu at Tungipara, Gopalganj on 18 August, 2023. FBCCI Senior Vice President Md. Amin Helaly, Vice President Khairul Huda (Chopol), Mohammad Anwar Sadat Sarker, Dr. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, Ms. Shomi Kaiser, Mir Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni), Md. Munir Hossain, Directors, General body members also were

#### Seminar on Bangabandhu's Philosophy on Mineral Resources



A seminar titled "Highest Utilisation of Natural Resources of Bangladesh: Philosophy of Bangabandhu" organized by FBCCI at Motijheel on 05 August, 2023. Mr. Nasrul Hamid, State Minister for the ministry of Power, Energy and Mineral Resources, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh graced the event as the chief guest. While, he emphasized on establishing industries in the specialized industrial areas to get advantage of uninterruptable power and energy.

president FBCCI Jashim Uddin chaired the event while energy expert Prof Badrul Imam presented the keynote paper. Among others, FBCCI Senior Vice President Mostofa Azad Chowdhury Babu, Vice President Md. Amin Helaly, Directors, Government Officials, Experts and business leaders were present at the seminar.









#### FBCCI New Board resumes their work

Mahbubul Alam has officially taken charge as the President of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI), the apex trade organization of the country. The transition took place on August 14, 2023 as the outgoing Board of Directors (2021-23), led by Md. Jashim Uddin, handed over the responsibilities to the new board at the FBCCI Icon, Dhaka.

Vice President of the outgoing board and Vice President of Bangladesh Textbook Printing and Marketing Association Md. Amin Helaly took charge as the Senior Vice-President of the new board.



Khairul Huda Chopol, president of Sunamganj Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Mohammad Anwar Sadat Sarker, president of Gazipur Chamber of Commerce and Industry, and Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, president of Bangladesh Chamber of Industry, have taken over as vice presidents from the chamber group.

Shomi Kaiser, President of the E-Commerce Association of Bangladesh, Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni), President of the Meiji Association of Bangladesh, and Md. Munir Hossain, President of the Exporters Association of Bangladesh took charge as the Vice Presidents from the association group.









The New President of FBCCI Mahbubul Alam expressed his commitment to bolster the trade and business of the country in the upcoming days. 'Our collective efforts will drive the growth of the private sector. I urge everyone's collaboration in this journey. As of today, we stand united, we will work together to foster economic growth and safeguard the private sector, he added.

The outgoing President Md. Jashim Uddin said, "We've dedicated the past two years to elevating FBCCI to new horizons. Our strategic policy initiatives have propelled the business community and the private sector forward, I believe the incoming board will maintain this momentum."

The new Senior Vice President of FBCCI Md. Amin. Helaly, outgoing Senior Vice

President Mostofa Chowdhury Babu also delivered their speech during the program.

A total of 80 directors were elected for the 2023-25 Board of Directors, 40 each from the Chamber and the Association group. One president, one senior vice-president, and six vice-presidents are elected as office bearers among the Board of Directors.

#### FBCCI President paid a courtesy call on Commerce Minister

FBCCI President Mr. Mahbubul Alam paid a courtesy call on the Hon'ble Commerce Minister Mr. Tipu Munshi MP at the Minister's residence in Dhaka on August 21, 2023.

FBCCI Senior Vice President Mr. Md. Amin Helaly, Vice Presidents Mr. Anwar Sadat Sarker, Mr. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, Mr. Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni),

Mr. Munir Hossain, Director Mr. Shah Jalal, Mr. Igbal Shahriar and others were present at the meeting.









#### FBCCI President Pays Courtesy Visit to HPM Sheikh Hasina



Mr. Mahbubul Alam, the New President of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI), the Apex trade organization of the country, paid a courtesy call on the Honorable Prime Minister H.E. Sheikh Hasina on Tuesday evening (August 29, 2023) at Ganabhaban in Dhaka.

HPM Sheikh Hasina extended warm congratulations to Mr. Mahbubul Alam on hisappointment as the President of FBCCI for the term 2023-2025. The HPM appreciated the role of the private sector in the advancement of the nation and reaffirmed her commitment to fostering comprehensive cooperation with FBCCI to drive the growth of this sector.

Mr. Mahbubul Alam, in turn, lauded HPM H.E. Sheikh Hasina's visionary leadership and dynamic approach, which have played pivotal roles in achieving notable economic growth and eradicating poverty across Bangladesh. He expressed profound gratitude to the Prime Minister for her steadfast dedication to the nation's progress, contributing to the remarkable economic growth and prosperity witnessed over the past 14 years.

FBCCI President emphasized the shared vision of building a prosperous Bangladesh through the joint efforts of the government and the private sector. He highlighted the nation's determination to meterealize the vision "Golden Bangla," concept cherished by the nation's founding leader Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman, which is now being pursued under the guidance of Prime Minister H.E. Sheikh Hasina.

Mr. Mahbubul Alam expressed his heartfelt gratitude to HPM for her untiring support of FBCCI's developmental initiatives.







Commercial Counselor of the US Embassy in Dhaka Mr. John Fay paid a courtesy call on FBCCI President Mr. Mahbubul Alam on 23 August, 2023 at FBCCI Icon, Dhaka, While FBCCI emphasized on strengthening bilateral trade with the United States of America (USA). FBCCI also expressed its interest in increasing the number of US investors in Bangladesh as well as the exports of non-traditional goods to US.

FBCCI President Mr. Mahbubul Alam said. "The US has always been a great friend of Bangladesh. The year 2022 has been a landmark for us, as both Bangladesh and the USA celebrated 50 years of their diplomatic relationship and proud partnership since 1972. Over the past 50 years, the United States Government has assisted with over eight billion dollars to improve the lives of Bangladeshis. The country is now the largest recipient of U.S. assistance in Asia."

The FBCCI is hopeful about a more diversified portfolio in our trade relations with the USA in the coming days, he mentioned.

The Commercial Counselor at the US Embassy in Dhaka Mr. John Fay highlighted the significant presence of American investment within Bangladesh. Mr. Fay emphasized the collaborative efforts of the Commerce Office and the Embassy in reinforcing the business ties linking Bangladesh and the USA.

FBCCI Vice President Mr. Khairul Huda (Chopol), Mr. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, Mr. Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni), Mr. Md. Munir Hossain, Director Md. Saiful Islam, Secretary General Mr. Md. Alamgir, and others were present at the meeting.



### **US Commercial Counselor paid** courtesy call on FBCCI President















#### FBCCI and IOFS Join Forces to Expand Halal Market Opportunities

A discussion meeting was held between The Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI) and the Islamic Organization Food Security (IOFS) on Halal Market, Agri-production and Agri-businesses at FBCCI Icon, Dhaka on 21 August, 2023. While both party emphasized on the expansion of global Halal Market, grabbing the significant market share of Halal Products

and developing agriculture infrastructure by strengthen co-operations between OIC member countries.

FBCCI President Mahbubul Alam chaired the meeting. FBCCI Senior Vice-President Md. Amin Helaly, Vice President Khairul Huda Chopol, Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni), Md. Munir Hossain, Directors, business leaders, and distinguished

guests were present at the program.

Meanwhile, an agreement was signed between the International Islamic Food Processing Association (IFPA) and FBCCI. Under the agreement FBCCI will get Membership Services from IFPA which include access to IFPA Publications: Invitations to various IFPA events; Establishing B2B agri-food cooperation between the private sector of the OIC countries etc.











### FBCCI to open a branch office in Gulshan



FBCCI President Md. Jashim Uddin Inaugurate the FBCCI Branch Office at Tower of Akash, Level- 9, Plot- 54, Road- 132, Gulshan Avenue, Dhaka- 1212 on 13 August, 2023. While the newly elected President of FBCCI for the term of 2023-2025 Mr. Mahbubul Alam was present.

Among others FBCCI Senior Vice-President Mostofa Azad Chowdhury Babu, Vice President Md. Amin Helaly were present.



#### Bangladesh & China keen to boost bilateral trade

Chengdu Chamber of Commerce for Commercial Service (China) led by its Executive Vice President Mr. Dong Hejun paid a courtesy call on FBCCI today (August 23, 2023) at FBCCI Icon, Dhaka.

Both FBCCI and Chengdu Chamber of Commerce have emphasized on enhancing bilateral trade, B2B collaboration, investment, knowledge and technology sharing.

Among others, FBCCI Vice President Mr. Khairul Huda Chopol, Dr. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, Mr. Md. Munir Hossain, Executive Vice President of Chengdu Chamber of Commerce for Commercial Service Mr. Peng Bo, Director Zhang Ke, Secretary General

of FBCCI Mr. Md. Alamgir, Consultant of the International Affairs Wing of FBCCI AmbassadorMosud Mannan, ndc were present at the meeting.









#### FBCCI President paid a courtesy call on Indian High Commissioner

President of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce & Industry- FBCCI and Chittagong Chamber of Commerce & Industry- CCCI Mr. Mahbubul Alam made a courtesy call on Indian High

Commissioner H.E Mr. Pranay Verma at Seminar Hall, World Trade Center Chittagong. Vice President of CCCI Mr. Tarafder Md. Ruhul Amin. Directors and business leaders were present at the meeting. 26 August 2023 at Seminar World Trade Center Hall, Chittagong.

Vice President of CCCI Mr. Tarafder Md. Ruhul Amin. Directors and business leaders were present at the meeting.



#### Md. Alamgir resumes work as the Secretary General of FBCCI

Md. Alamgir has started working as the Secretary General of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FBCCI), the apex trade organization of the Country. He joined FBCCI on August 20, 2023.

Before taking up his current position, Md. Alamgir served as the Chairman (Grade-1) of the Bangladesh Land Port Authority. He also worked as the Managing Director at the Hotel Pan Pacific Sonargaon in Dhaka. He is a former Additional Secretary to the

Government of Bangladesh.

Md. Alamgir, with an impressive 33-year career in government service, brings a wealth of knowledge and insight to FBCCI. His journey began in 1990 as an Assistant Commissioner in the Patuakhali DC office and he had the privilege to work in the Khagrachari Hill District for the welfare and development of diverse ethnic minorities.

Md. Alamgir worked in the Economic Relations Division (ERD) under the Ministry of Finance, in the Ministry of Home Affairs (MOHA), the



Ministry of Education (MOE), the Department of Environment (DOE) under the Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF) and Ministry of Civil Aviation and Tourism (MOCAT).









#### FBCCI President joined the inaugural ceremony of EFDMS

FBCCI President Mr. Mahbubul Alam as special guest attended the inaugural ceremony of the Electronic Fiscal Device Management System (EFDMS) on August 22, 2023, at the National Board of Revenue (NBR), Dhaka, The ceremony was presided over

by Abu Hena Md. Rahmatul Muneem, Senior Secretary of the Internal Resources Division and Chairman of NBR. Hon'ble Finance Minister AHM Mustafa Kamal graced the event as the chief quest. FBCCI Senior Vice-President Md. Amin Helaly, Vice President dent Khairul Huda Chopol, Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni), Md. Munir Hos-Directors. sain. Business Leaders and distinguished guests were present at the program.



#### FBCCI Senior Vice President inaugurated an International Expo



FBCCI Senior Vice-President Mr. Md. Amin Helaly as the Chief Guest attended the Inauguration Ceremony of

the International Exhibition on Horeca Market & Hospitality Bangladesh 5th Expo 2023 Organized By SAVOR

INTERNATIONAL LIMITED today (August 24, 2023) at the International Convention City Bashundhara (ICCB). Dhaka.

Among others, FBCCI Director Mr. Mohammad Ishagul Hossain Sweet, former director of FBCCI, and the President of BMCCI Mr. Syed Almas Kabir, Secretary General of Bangladesh China Chamber of Commerce & Industry (BCCCI) Mr. Al Mamun Mridha and distinquished quests were present at the Event.







#### 1<sup>st</sup> Emergency Board Meeting of FBCCI held

The First Emergency Meeting of the Board of Directors 2023-25) of FBCCI was held today (August 14, 2023) at the FBCCI Icon, Dhaka. FBCCI Mahbubul President Mr. Alam presided over the meeting.

FBCCI Senior Vice President Mr. Md. Amin Helaly, Vice President Mr. Khairul Huda Chopol, Mr. Mohammad Anwar Sadat Sarker. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, Ms. Shomi Kaiser, Mr. Rashadul



Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni), Mr. Md. Munir Hossain and

the Directors were present at the meeting.

#### New President of FBCCI Meet with FBCCI Secretariat



FBCCI President Mahbubul Alam joined a meeting with

FBCCI Secretariat on 17 August, 2023 at the FBCCI

conference room, Motijheel, Dhaka, FBCCI Senior Vice-President Md. Amin Helalv. Vice President Md. Khairul Huda (Chopol), Mohammad Anwar Sadat Sarker, Dr. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, Ms. Shomi Kaiser, Mir Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni), Munir Hossain, Directors, and other dignitaries were present at the meeting.

#### FBCCI Vice President joined a workshop on Ship Building Industry



FBCCI Vice President Dr. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath attended at the workshop on Eco-friendly Management for Ship Building Industry on August 22, 2023 at the Department of Environment, Dhaka. The program was presided over by the Director General of the Department of Environment Dr. Abdul Hamid, Hon'ble Minister for Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Md. Shahab Uddin graced the event as the chief guest.







### A meeting of the "FBCCI Smart Card" initiative Committee held











FBCCI has taken the initiative to prepare the FBCCI Smart Card for all its stakeholders including Directors, Chief of Member Body, General Body Members, and Secretariat as part of the journey of Smart FBCCI. The cardholders will be facilitated with special/priority services from different hotels and Restaurants,

rants, Banking, Airports, Railways, and several other places.

In this regard, a meeting of the "FBCCI Smart Card" initiative Committee was held on August 26, 2023, at FBCCI. FBCCI Vice President Mr. Rashadul Hossain Chowdhury (Ronni) chaired the meeting.

Among others, FBCCI Vice President Dr. Joshoda Jibon Deb Nath, Directors Ms. Salma Hossain Ash, Fakhorus Salehin Nahian, Mr. Md. Rakibul Alam (Dipu), Secretary General Mr. Md. Alamgir were present at the meeting.











#### FBCCI President joined an International Expo

The FBCCI President Mr. Mahbubul Alam as the chief guest joined the launching ceremony of the 9th International Fire Safety & Security Expo- 2023 organized by the Electronics Safety & Security Association of Bangladesh (ESSAB) on 23 August 2023 at Gulshan Club, Dhaka.

FBCCI Senior Vice-President Mr. Md. Amin Helaly also joined the event as a special guest. Among others, the President of ESSAB



Mr. Zahir Uddin Babar, joined the event as a special guest. Among others, the President of ESSAB Mr. Zahir Uddin Babar, Senior Vice President Mr. Md. Niaz Ali Chisty, Vice President of BGMEA Mr. Md Shahidullah Azim, FBCCI directors, business leaders, and distinguished guests were also present at the event.



#### FBCCI President made a courtesy with Sumitomo Corporation



President of the Federation of Bangladesh Chambers of Commerce & Industry-FBCCI and Chittagong Chamber of Commerce & Industry-CCCI Mr. Mahbubul Alam made a courtesy meeting with the representatives of Japan's Sumitomo Corporation at Chittagong on 26 August, 2023.



FBCCI President met hon'ble Foreign Minister

FBCCI President Mahbubul Alam met Hon'ble Foreign Minister Mr. A. K. Abdul Momen at a dinner on 30 August, 2023 at State Guest House- Padma, Ramna, Dhaka.









#### Discussion on 'Materializing Japan-BD Strategic Partnership held



FBCCI President Mr. Mahbubul Alam as the Guest of honor attended the roundtable discussion on 'Materializing Japan-Bangladesh strategic partnership: Diplomatic, Economic and people-to-people relations' held today (26 August 2023) at the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh.

FBCCI President said, 'the

bilateral relationship between Bangladesh and Japan is one of the best examples of friendship in the world. It started with our Father of the Nation Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's Visit to Japan in 1973. Sheikh Mujibur Rahman's Visit to Japan in 1973. And it strengthened considerably under the leadership of our

Hon'ble Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina over the last decade through multi-levels of cooperation.' Japan has extended technical and financial assistance to Bangladesh in various Research Institute-PARI Mr. Yuji Ando were present at the program.

#### A seminar titled "Innovation Plastic Circularity" held



Mr. Md. Amin Helaly, Senior Vice President of FBCCI, as Special Guest, attended the National Seminar on Innovation Plastic Circularity jointly organized by Bangladesh Plastic Goods Manufacturers and Exporters Association

(BPGMEA) & Unilever Bangladesh Limited (UBL) on 26 2023 at Hotel Radisson Blu in Dhaka.

Mr. M A Mannan MP, Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Planning was present as the Chief Guest in the seminar.

Among others, Mr. Saber Hossain Chowdhury, MP, Parliamentary Chairman. Standing Committee on Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Mr. Md. Shamim Ahmed, President of Bangladesh Plastic Goods Manufacturers and Exporters Association (BPGMEA), Dr. Fahmida Khanom, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, Mr. Zaved Akhter, CEO, Unilever Bangladesh Limited (UBL) were present at the seminar.







### FBCCI President joined 145th Board Meeting of EPB



FBCCI President Mr. Mahbubul Alam joined the 145th Board Meeting of the Export Promotion Bureau (EPB) on 30 August, 2023 at EPB Conference Room, Dhaka. Hon'ble Commerce Minister Mr.Tipu Munshi presided over the meeting. Vice Chairman and CEO of EPB Mr. A.H.M. Ahsan, BGMEA President Mr. Faruque Hassan, DCCI President Barrister Md. Sameer Sattar, MCCI President Mr. Md. Saiful Islam, business leaders and distinguished guests were also present at the meeting.

# FBCCI President joined a discussion titled "Advancing US-BD Economic and Trade Relations"



Mr. Mahbubul Alam, President of the FBCCI joined a roundtable discussion titled "Advancing US-Bangladesh Economic and Trade Relations" jointly organized by the American Chamber of

Commerce in Bangladesh, US-Bangladesh Business Council and US Chamber of Commerce on August 30, 2023 at Hotel InterContinental, Dhaka.

Honorable Commerce Minister

Mr. Tipu Munshi graced the event as the chief guest, Among others, President of American Chamber of Commerce in Bangladesh Mr. Syed Ershad Ahmed, President of US-Bangladesh Business Council Ambassador (ret.) Mr. Atul Keshap, President and CEO of Excelerate Energy Mr. Steven Kobos, Director of US-Bangladesh Business Council Mr. Sid Mehra, business leaders and distinguished members of the business delegations from American Chamber of Commerce and US-Bangladesh Business Council were present at the Discussion.







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