



2nd Yunnan-Bangladesh Cooperation Dialogue

4-6 January 2012, Dhaka-Bangladesh

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Bangladesh Institute of Peace and Security Studies (BIPSS) in association with Yunnan Development Research Center (YDRC) of Yunnan Provincial Government have successfully arranged the 2nd Yunnan-Bangladesh Cooperation Dialogue in Dhaka, Bangladesh from 4-6 January, 2012. Bangladesh delegation was headed by Major General Muniruzzaman, President BIPSS and 13 members Yunnan delegation was led by Mr. Li Chongren, Deputy Director, Development Research Center of the People's Government of Yunnan Province.

Welcoming the themes of the dialogue and recognizing the importance of mutually beneficial and comprehensive cooperation between China and Bangladesh in order to promote effective linkages and connectivity for greater movement of people, enhanced bilateral investment and trade;

Reaffirming BIPSS and YDRC's commitment for peace, human development and bilateral and regional cooperation;

Recognizing the necessity of strong institutional mechanisms to boost trade partnership, explore new avenues of economic cooperation, and strengthen diplomatic ties and mutual friendship;

Believing that enhancing exchange, cooperation and coordination between Bangladesh-Yunnan Province of China can expedite all around cooperation, people to people connectivity, increased trade, culture and transportation and communication links and friendship between China and Bangladesh;

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1. To intensify efforts on both governmental and private sector level from both China and Bangladesh to diversify export baskets and remove structural problems in order to get more access to each other's market along with to indulge in areas of economic cooperation including FDI, technology sharing and infrastructural Development.
2. To call the governments of both Bangladesh and China to formulate actionable policy framework to carry out joint studies with Myanmar to initiate Kunming-Dhaka land connectivity.

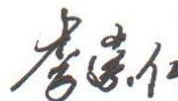
3. To urge and facilitate the creation of regional, sub-regional (through BCIM Forum) and also mega-regional (along with South East Asia) cooperation mechanism to boost increased intra and inter-regional trade and investment cooperation, disaster management, educational and tourism exchange and so on.
4. To enhance long term multi-layered and multi modal communication networks and platforms between China and Bangladesh, specifically with its Western Province Yunnan to promote mutual understanding and trust so as to facilitate cultural, economic and educational flows between the two countries.
5. To assist crafting a Sino-Bangladesh political relationship that can take the existing warm ties on board leading wider collaboration in the issues of international significance, mutual support for the each other's imperatives and effective negotiation and information exchanges to increase long-lasting bond.
6. To increase more people-to-people contacts between the two countries to improve mutual ties and friendship between the two countries.
7. To intensify mutual security cooperation and cooperation in the areas of human security, for instance, environmental security, poverty reduction, food and energy security.
8. To insist that concept of SAARC+1 stands to be in utmost importance, since there is a huge potential for deep engagement and wider regional cooperation between China and SAARC countries including wider access to bilateral trade, economic cooperation, political understanding and cultural exchanges, China being the near neighbor and one of the fastest growing economies and rising powers.

On behalf of Bangladesh Institute of Peace and Security Studies (BIPSS) and Yunnan Development Research Center (YDRC) of Yunnan Provincial Government:



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