

## We must advance their rights

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project, worth \$1 million for five years, aims to advance the rights of persons with disabilities and ensure social justice for them.  
MJF Executive Director Shaheen Anam said, "MJF has been working in Bangladesh for 20 years on making grants and building the capacity of local and national CSOs and NGOs through localisation and a rights-based approach."  
"Partnering with USAID on Ekota is a rewarding opportunity for MJF and its partners CRP, CDD and PSUS for implementing programmes much needed for persons with disabilities

in the field of rights, justice and access to services.  
Previously, MJF has worked with over 400 NGOs and CSOs in 53 districts to carry out over 700 separate projects, both major and small.  
Kathryn Stevens, director of the USAID Mission; Md Sabbir Imam, director of the Department of Social Services, and AHM Noman Khan of CDD; Dr Md Sohrab Hossain of CRP, also spoke at the event.  
Two representatives from Disabled People's Organisation also shared their expectations from the project at the event.

## NGOs' role in dev

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In the recent past, especially over the last five years, development organisations have been facing various challenges to make their contributions, he said.  
Role of NGOs or civil society in Bangladesh's development has been recognised globally, said Rokeya Kabir, executive director of Nari Pragati Sangha.  
UN Resident Coordinator Gwyn Lewis said civil society organisations and NGOs have played an important role in Bangladesh.  
Rasheda K Choudhury, executive director of Campe, said in an over 500-page publication, the Planning Commission of the government has dedicated one chapter on the role of NGOs as development partners.  
In a video message, Brac Executive Director Asif Saleh said considering the multifaceted challenges in today's world, it is more important than ever to have organisations like Oxfam play a critical role.  
Speaking as chief guest, Liberation War Affairs Minister AKM Mozammel Huq said the government is grateful to Oxfam for its role during several crises, especially during the refugee crisis in 1971 and their rehabilitation in independent Bangladesh.  
Ashish Damle, country

director of Oxfam in Bangladesh, said "solidarity" is at the core of Oxfam's activities in Bangladesh and beyond.  
At the programme, Oxfam honoured members of its "refugee relief work in India in 1971", led by the organisation's coordinator Julian Francis, and also unveiled the cover of a publication on Oxfam's 50 years of operation in Bangladesh.  
Julian Francis, who later received "Friends of Liberation War Honour" from the government, said when he came to Bangladesh after its independence in January 1972, there was a lot of excitement and euphoria.  
State Minister for Disaster Management and Relief Enamur Rahman, State Minister for Local Government, Rural Development and Cooperatives Swapan Bhattacharjee; Matt Cannell, deputy high commissioner at the British High Commission; Tim Holmes, international operations director of Oxfam GB; and Sheikh Aliur Rahman, chief executive of London Tea Exchange, also addressed the programme.

## BRTC

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works, including project approval, loan agreement signing, installation of charging stations, and other tasks, need to be completed within six months.  
BRTC submitted a project proposal to purchase 340 CNG-run AC buses with a South Korean loan. The project proposal is currently awaiting approval from Planning Commission.  
The government signed a loan agreement with Korea last week for the project, which is expected to cost Tk 1133.45 crore, with the duration being June 2023 to December 2024.  
Of the buses, 140 buses are expected to operate under city service, while the rest will be utilised on different inter-district routes.  
BRTC Chairman Tazul Islam said they are optimistic that the project proposals will be approved soon, allowing them to purchase the buses and expand their services.

## Transition Stop financing fossil

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Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), in collaboration with the Road Transport and Bridges Ministry and the World Bank, organised the workshop.  
A month ago, the government approved a guideline for the registration and operation of electric vehicles to have at least 30 percent electric vehicles out of the total number of vehicles in operation by 2030. However, only 34 EVs have so far been registered by Road Transport Authority.  
The transport sector is the largest consumer of petroleum products, accounting for 63 percent of consumption. The sector is also responsible for 15 percent of the country's total emissions, making it the second-highest domestic source of energy-related emissions.  
"We believe that the most significant opportunities lie in the 2/3-wheeler and public transport sectors, as they make economic sense and serve the majority," said World Bank Operations Manager Dandan Chen.  
Speaking as the chief guest, Road Transport and Bridges Minister Obaidul Quader said the event is time-befitting as the world is facing the adverse effect of climate change.  
With ABM Amin Ullah Nuri in the chair, Power Division Secretary Habibur Rahman, and Road Transport and Highway Division's Additional Secretary Neelima Akhter addressed the programme.  
Experts from various agencies attended the event and presented papers.  
The workshop's main objectives were to create awareness of EV development in the sub-region and Bangladesh, enhance the capacity of policymakers, encourage regional cooperation mechanisms on low-carbon transport, and facilitate discussions on policy recommendations.

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out the fossil fuel] from the leading countries are currently stagnant, with some countries moving in opposite directions," he said.  
According to CPD, the global commitment to climate financing should be increased to \$100 billion per year and at least 50 percent of the allocation should be for renewable energy financing.  
Bangladesh is preparing the integrated energy and power sector master plan with the help of Japan International Cooperation Agency, which includes hydrogen and ammonia as the upcoming renewable energy technologies.  
However, Tatsuya Machida, deputy chief of mission at the Embassy of Japan in Bangladesh, claimed that though the master plan is going to be an ambitious one, it will incorporate a realistic plan.  
Replying to a question about financing the Matarbari coal-based power plant in Cox's Bazar, Machida said, "It's true that our project in Matarbari will entirely change the landscapes, but it was the best option in our hand due to the geographical position... a deep-sea port is going to be developed there."


Florian Höllen, head of cooperation, German embassy, said Bangladesh has some companies like Walton which have a global presence and potential to produce advanced renewable technologies based on local and cheaper resources.  
Matt Cannell, Acting High Commissioner of the British High Commission, said, "Bangladesh should try to leverage more financing out of the International Financial Institutions (IFIs) system for energy security, scaling up Green Climate Fund, IMF Resilience and Sustainability Trust and Climate Finance Task Force."  
Tanvir Shakil Joy, member of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, said, "Our plans regarding the transition to renewable energy need to be implemented and coordinated appropriately so that the livelihoods of the common people do not get hampered."  
Fahmida Khatun, executive director at CPD, chaired the session, while former Buet Prof Ijaz Hossain, SREDA's Director Syed Mohammad Aminur Rahman also joined.

## Dhaka to host

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the UAE; deputy ministers from Somalia, Vietnam and high-level delegations from the Philippines, the US, Iran, Kuwait, Oman, Thailand and Germany and representatives from D-8, Saarc and BIMSTEC will also participate in it.  
Briefing reporters at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs yesterday, Foreign Minister AK Abdul Momen said the conference is being organised by India Foundation in association with Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bangladesh. Myanmar was not invited to the conference.  
State Minister for Foreign Affairs Shahriar Alam said, "Currently, we are at the final stage of signing deals for contract farming in Mauritius. So, they are also likely to hire farm workers from Bangladesh."  
On the question of recent initiative of Rohingya repatriation, he said though some Rohingya who returned from one-day visit from Rakhine last week said they do not want to return to Myanmar as there is no guarantee of citizenship, many of the educated and Rohingya entrepreneurs are registering for repatriation.  
"So, you cannot say the initiative has failed," he said.

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2.	CCC/xen4/rev/4/w-10/4	Earth Excavation of Canal, Khal, Drain etc. carrying and disposing all excavated materials at safe distance at 10 No. Uttar Kattoli ward.	826730	07-06-2023 12:21	07-06-2023 14:00
3.	CCC/xen4/rev/4/w-26/4	Earth Excavation of B-Block, Bihari Koborshatan, Blind HapaZ Mazar big drain, Fazal Hoque Commissioner Bari Drain, Physical Education College big drain to Boropol Bridge at 26 No. ward.	828469	07-06-2023 12:21	07-06-2023 14:00
4.	CCC/xen4/rev/4/w-13/4	Slushy Earth & removed for 1) Big Drain in front of BGMEA 2) Sagunbagan 1 to 9 small drain 3) Afas colony drain 4) Sardar Bahadurnagar drain 5) Ambagan Pubali field drain 6) West Khulshi drain 1 to 4 small drain at 13 No. ward.	828470	07-06-2023 12:21	07-06-2023 14:00
5.	CCC/xen4/rev/4/w-9/4	Development of Road No-3 of Foy's Lake valley Residential Area in 9 No. North Pahartali Ward.	828462	07-06-2023 12:21	07-06-2023 14:00
6.	CCC/xen4/rev/4/w-11/1	Earth work and Excavation at Bashontli School to Jelepura Drain, Chodu Chy Drain, J-Block Drain, I-Block Drain, Boshor Colony Drain, Kazir Dighi Cartoon Factory Drain, Artillery Road Drain at 11 No. ward.	828464	07-06-2023 12:21	07-06-2023 14:00
7.	CCC/xen4/rev/4/w-13/1/4	Development of Jalalabad Housing Society Katcha road with Carpeting at 13 No. ward.	828455	07-06-2023 12:21	07-06-2023 14:00
8.	CCC/xen4/rev/4/w-09/4	Construction Boundary of Lake City R/A Plot Demarcation and Road at 9 No. ward.	828453	07-06-2023 12:21	07-06-2023 14:00

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