

BNP’s potential nominees for polls

Total Seats – 300
Candidates declared – 237
Vacant – 63
Panchagarh-1 – Barrister Mohammad Nawshad Zamir
Panchagarh-2 – Forhad Hossain Azad
Thakurgaon-1 – Mirza Fakhrul Islam Alamgir
Thakurgaon-2 – (Vacant)
Thakurgaon-3 – Md Zahidur Rahman Zahid
Dinajpur-1 – Md Monjurul Islam
Dinajpur-2 – Md Sadik Riaz
Dinajpur-3 – Khaleda Zia
Dinajpur-4 – Md Akhtaruzzaman Mia
Dinajpur-5 – (Vacant)
Dinajpur-6 – Prof AZM Zahid Hossain
Nilphamari-1 – (Vacant)
Nilphamari-2 – AH Md Saifullah Rubel
Nilphamari-3 – (Vacant)
Nilphamari-4 – Md Abdul Gafur Sarkar
Lalmonirhat-1 – Md Hasan Rajib Prodhان
Lalmonirhat-2 – (Vacant)
Lalmonirhat-3 – Asadul Habib Dulu
Rangpur-1 – Md Mokarram Hossain Sujan
Rangpur-2 – Mohammad Ali Sarkar
Rangpur-3 – Md Samsuzzaman Samu
Rangpur-4 – Mohammad Emdadul Haque Bhorosa
Rangpur-5 – Md Golam Rabbani
Rangpur-6 – Md Saiful Islam
Kurigram-1 – Saiful Islam Rana
Kurigram-2 – Md Sohul Hossain Kaykobad
Kurigram-3 – Tajvir UI Islam
Kurigram-4 – Md Azizur Rahman
Gaibandha-1 – Khandaker Ziaul Islam Mohammad Ali
Gaibandha-2 – Md Anisuzzaman Khan Babu
Gaibandha-3 – Prof Dr Syed Moinul Hasan Sadik
Gaibandha-4 – Mohammad Shamim Kaysar
Gaibandha-5 – Md Faruk Alam Sarkar
Joypurhat-1 – Md Masud Rana Prodhان
Joypurhat-2 – Abdul Bari Bogura-1 – Kazi Rafiqul Islam
Bogura-2 – (Vacant)
Bogura-3 – Abdul Muhit Talukdar
Bogura-4 – Md Mosharof Hossain
Bogura-5 – Golam Mohammad Siraj
Bogura-6 – Tarique Rahman
Bogura-7 – Khaleda Zia
Chapainawabganj-1 – Md Sajahjahan Mia
Chapainawabganj-2 – Md Aminul Islam
Chapainawabganj-3 – Md Harunur Rashid

Naogaon-1 – Md Mostafizur Rahman
Naogaon-2 – Md Samsuzzoha Khan
Naogaon-3 – Md Fazle Huda Babul
Naogaon-4 – Ikramul Bari Tipu
Naogaon-5 – (Vacant)
Naogaon-6 – Sheikh Md Rezaul Islam
Rajshahi-1 – Md Sharif Uddin
Rajshahi-2 – Md Mizanur Rahman Minu
Rajshahi-3 – Mohammad Shofiqul Haque Milon
Rajshahi-4 – DMD Ziaur Rahman
Rajshahi-5 – Prof Nazrul Islam
Rajshahi-6 – Abu Sayed Chad
Natore-1 – Farzana Sharmin
Natore-2 – Ruhul Quddus Talukdar Dulu
Natore-3 – (Vacant)
Natore-4 – Md Abdul Aziz
Sirajganj-1 – (Vacant)
Sirajganj-2 – Iqbal Hasan Mahmud Tuku
Sirajganj-3 – VP Aynul Haque
Sirajganj-4 – M Akbor Ali
Sirajganj-5 – Md Amirul Islam Khan
Sirajganj-6 – MA Muhit Pabna-1 – (Vacant)
Pabna-2 – AKM Selim Reza Habib
Pabna-3 – Md Hasan Zafir Tuhin
Pabna-4 – Habibur Rahman Habib
Pabna-5 – Md Shamsur Rahman Shimul Biswas
Meherpur-1 – Masud Arun
Meherpur-2 – Md Amzad Hossain
Kushtia-1 – Reza Ahmed
Kushtia-2 – Ragib Rauf Chowdhury
Kushtia-3 – Md Zakir Hossain Sarkar
Kushtia-4 – Syed Mehdi Ahmed Rumi
Chuadanga-1 – Md Sharifuzzaman
Chuadanga-2 – Mahmud Hasan Khan
Jhenaidah-1 – (Vacant)
Jhenaidah-2 – (Vacant)
Jhenaidah-3 – Mohammad Mehedi Hasan
Jhenaidah-4 – (Vacant)
Jashore-1 – Md Moftul Hasan Tripti
Jashore-2 – Mosammat Sabira Sultana
Jashore-3 – Onindya Islam Amit
Jashore-4 – TS Ayub
Jashore-5 – (Vacant)
Jashore-6 – Kazi Rawnakul Islam
Magura-1 – Md Monowar Hossain
Magura-2 – Nitai Roy Chowdhury
Narail-1 – Biswas Jahangir Alam
Narail-2 – (Vacant)
Bagerhat-1 – (Vacant)
Bagerhat-2 – (Vacant)

Bagerhat-3 – (Vacant)
Khulna-1 – (Vacant)
Khulna-2 – Nazrul Islam Monju
Khulna-3 – Rokibul Islam Bokul
Khulna-4 – Azizul Bari Helal
Khulna-5 – Mohammad Ali Asgor
Khulna-6 – Monirul Hasan Bappi
Satkhira-1 – Md Habibul Islam Habib
Satkhira-2 – Abdur Rouf
Satkhira-3 – Kazi Alauddin
Satkhira-4 – Md Moniruzzaman
Barguna-1 – Md Nazrul Islam Molla
Barguna-2 – Nurul Islam Moni
Patuakhali-1 – Air Vice Marshal (ret'd) Altaf Hossain Chowdhury
Patuakhali-2 – (Vacant)
Patuakhali-3 – (Vacant)
Patuakhali-4 – ABM Mosharraf Hossain
Bhola-1 – Golam Nabi Alamgir
Bhola-2 – Md Hafiz Ibrahim
Bhola-3 – Major (ret'd) Hafiz Uddin Ahmed Bir Bikrom
Bhola-4 – Md Nurul Islam Nayan
Barishal-1 – Zahir Uddin Swapan
Barishal-2 – Sardar Sarfuddin Ahmed Santu
Barishal-3 – (Vacant)
Barishal-4 – Md Rajib Ahsan
Barishal-5 – Md Mojibor Rahman Sorwar
Barishal-6 – Abul Hossain Khan
Jhalakathi-1 – (Vacant)
Jhalakathi-2 – Israt Sultana Elen Bhutto
Pirojpur-1 – (Vacant)
Pirojpur-2 – Ahmed Soheli Monjur
Pirojpur-3 – Md Ruhul Amin Dulal
Tangail-1 – Fakir Mahbub Anam Swapan
Tangail-2 – Abdus Salam Pintu
Tangail-3 – SM Obaydul Haque Nasir
Tangail-4 – Md Lutfor Rahman Motin
Tangail-5 – (Vacant)
Tangail-6 – Md Rabiul Awal Lablu
Tangail-7 – Abul Kalam Azad Siddiqui
Tangail-8 – Ahmed Azam Khan
Jamalpur-1 – M Rashiduzzaman Millat
Jamalpur-2 – AE Sultan Mahmud Babu
Jamalpur-3 – Md Mustafizur Rahman Babul
Jamalpur-4 – Md Faridul Kabir Talukdar Shamim
Jamalpur-5 – Shah Md Wares Ali Mamun
Sherpur-1 – Sansila Zebrin
Sherpur-2 – Mohammad Fahim Chowdhury
Sherpur-3 – Md Mahmudul Haque Rubel
Mymensingh-1 – Syed Emran Saleh
Mymensingh-2 – Motaher Hossain Talukdar

Mymensingh-3 – M Iqbal Hossain
Mymensingh-4 – Postponed
Mymensingh-5 – Mohammad Jakir Hossain
Mymensingh-6 – Md Akhtarul Alam
Mymensingh-7 – Dr Md Mahbubur Rahman
Mymensingh-8 – Lutfullahel Mazed
Mymensingh-9 – Yaser Khan Chowdhury
Mymensingh-10 – (Vacant)
Mymensingh-11 – Fakor Uddin Ahmed
Netrakona-1 – Barrister Kaysar Kamal
Netrakona-2 – Md Anwarul Haque
Netrakona-3 – Rafiqul Islam Hilali
Netrakona-4 – Md Lutfozzaman Babor
Netrakona-5 – Md Abu Taher Talukdar
Kishoreganj-1 – (Vacant)
Kishoreganj-2 – Advocate Md Jalal Uddin
Kishoreganj-3 – Dr Osman Faruk
Kishoreganj-4 – Md Fazlur Rahman
Kishoreganj-5 – (Vacant)
Kishoreganj-6 – Md Shariful Alam
Manikganj-1 – (Vacant)
Manikganj-2 – Moinul Islam Khan
Manikganj-3 – Afroza Khan Rita

Munshiganj-1 – Sheikh Md Abdullah
Munshiganj-2 – Mizanur Rahman Sinha
Munshiganj-3 – (Vacant)
Dhaka-1 – Khandaker Abu Ashraf
Dhaka-2 – Aman Ullah Aman
Dhaka-3 – Gayeshwar Chandra Roy
Dhaka-4 – Tanvir Ahmed Robin
Dhaka-5 – Nabi Ullah Nabi
Dhaka-6 – Ishraque Hossain
Dhaka-7 – (Vacant)
Dhaka-8 – Mirza Abbas Uddin Ahmed
Dhaka-9 – (Vacant)
Dhaka-10 – (Vacant)
Dhaka-11 – M A Kaiyum
Dhaka-12 – Saiful Alam Nirob
Dhaka-13 – (Vacant)
Dhaka-14 – Sanjida Islam Tuli
Dhaka-15 – Md Shafiqul Islam Khan
Dhaka-16 – Aminul Haque
Dhaka-17 – (Vacant)
Dhaka-18 – (Vacant)
Dhaka-19 – Dr Devan Md Salahuddin
Dhaka-20 – Vacant
Gazipur-1 – (Vacant)
Gazipur-2 – M Monjurul Karim Roni
Gazipur-3 – Prof Dr SM Rafiqul Islam Bachchu
Gazipur-4 – Shah Riazul Hannan
Gazipur-5 – Fazlul Haque Milon
Gazipur-6 – (Vacant)
Narsingdi-1 – Khairul Kabir Khokon

Narsingdi-2 – Dr Abdul Moyeen Khan
Narsingdi-3 – (Vacant)
Narsingdi-4 – Sardar Md Sakawat Hossain
Narsingdi-5 – Engr Md Ashraf Uddin Bokul
Narayanganj-1 – Mostafizur Rahman Bhuiya Dipu
Narayanganj-2 – Nazrul Islam Azad
Narayanganj-3 – Md Azharul Islam Mannan
Narayanganj-4 – (Vacant)
Narayanganj-5 – Md Masuduzzaman Rajbari-1 – Ali Newaz Mahmud Khaiyom
Rajbari-2 – (Vacant)
Faridpur-1 – (Vacant)
Faridpur-2 – Shyama Obaid Islam
Faridpur-3 – Nayab Yusuf Ahmed
Faridpur-4 – Shahidul Islam Babul
Gopalganj-1 – Md Selimuzzaman Molla
Gopalganj-2 – Dr KM Babar Ali
Gopalganj-3 – SM Jilani
Madaripur-1 – Kamal Zaman Molla
Madaripur-2 – (Vacant)
Madaripur-3 – Anisur Rahman Shariatpur-1 – Sayed Ahmed Aslam
Shariatpur-2 – Md. Shafiqur Rahman Kiron
Shariatpur-3 – Mian Nuruuddin Ahmed Apu
Sunamganj-1 – Anisul Haque
Sunamganj-2 – (Vacant)
Sunamganj-3 – Mohammad Koyesor Ahmed
Sunamganj-4 – (Vacant)
Sunamganj-5 – Kolim Uddin Milon
Sylhet-1 – Khandaker Abdul Moktadir Chowdhury
Sylhet-2 – Mosammat Tahsina Rushdir
Sylhet-3 – Mohammad Abdul Malik
Sylhet-4 – (Vacant)
Sylhet-5 – (Vacant)
Sylhet-6 – Emran Ahmed Chowdhury
Moulvibazar-1 – Nasir Uddin Ahmed Mithu
Moulvibazar-2 – Sawkat Hossain Soku
Moulvibazar-3 – Naser Rahman
Moulvibazar-4 – Md. Mujibor Rahman Chowdhury
Habiganj-1 – (Vacant)
Habiganj-2 – Abu Monsur Sakawat Hasan Jibon
Habiganj-3 – Md G K Gaus
Habiganj-4 – SM Faysal Brahmanbaria-1 – M A Hannan
Brahmanbaria-2 – (Vacant)
Brahmanbaria-3 – Md Khaled Hossain Mahbub
Brahmanbaria-4 – Mushfiqur Rahman
Brahmanbaria-5 – Md Abdul Mannan
Brahmanbaria-6 – (Vacant)

Cumilla-1 – Dr Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain
Cumilla-2 – (Vacant)
Cumilla-3 – Kazi Shah Mofazzal Hossain Kaykobad
Cumilla-4 – Monjurul Ahsan Munshi
Cumilla-5 – Md Jasim Uddin
Cumilla-6 – Md. Monirul Haque Chowdhury
Cumilla-7 – (Vacant)
Cumilla-8 – Zakaria Taher
Cumilla-9 – Md Abul Kalam
Cumilla-10 – Md Abdul Gafur Bhuiyan
Cumilla-11 – Md Kamrul Huda
Chandpur-1 – ANM Ehsanul Haque Milon
Chandpur-2 – Md Jalal Uddin
Chandpur-3 – Sheikh Farid Ahmed
Chandpur-4 – Md Harunur Rashid
Chandpur-5 – Md Mominul Haque
Feni-1 – Khaleda Zia
Feni-2 – Joyнал Abedin
Feni-3 – Abdul Awal Mintoo
Noakhali-1 – AM Mahbub Uddin
Noakhali-2 – Joyнал Abedin Faruk
Noakhali-3 – Md Barkat Ullah Bulu
Noakhali-4 – Md Shahjahan
Noakhali-5 – Mohammad Fakhrul Islam
Noakhali-6 – Mohammad Mahbubur Rahman Shamim
Lakshmipur-1 – (Vacant)
Lakshmipur-2 – Md Abul Khair Bhuiyan
Lakshmipur-3 – Md Shahid Uddin Chowdhury Annie
Lakshmipur-4 – (Vacant)
Chattogram-1 – Nurul Amin (Chairman)
Chattogram-2 – Sarwar Alamgir
Chattogram-3 – (Vacant)
Chattogram-4 – Kazi Salahuddin
Chattogram-5 – Mir Mohammad Helal Uddin
Chattogram-6 – (Vacant)
Chattogram-7 – Hummam Quader Chowdhury
Chattogram-8 – Ershad Ullah
Chattogram-9 – (Vacant)
Chattogram-10 – Amir Khosrou Mahmud Chowdhury
Chattogram-11 – (Vacant)
Chattogram-12 – Mohammad Enamul Haque
Chattogram-13 – Sarwar Jamal Nizam
Chattogram-14 – (Vacant)
Chattogram-15 – (Vacant)
Chattogram-16 – Mishkatul Islam Chowdhury Pappa
Cox's Bazar-1 – Salahuddin Ahmed
Cox's Bazar-2 – (Vacant)
Cox's Bazar-3 – Lutfur Rahman Kajol
Cox's Bazar-4 – Shahjahan Chowdhury
Khagrachhari – Abdul Wadud Bhuiyan
Rangamati – Dipen Dewan
Bandarban – Saching Pru

BNP banks on a blend of old

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the simultaneous movement.”

According to the list, the BNP has largely relied on senior leaders and, in many cases, chosen successors of veteran figures. New faces have been included to attract young voters.

Several former and current top leaders of the Jubo Dal, Swechhasebak Dal, and Chhatra Dal have also been nominated.

BNP named Swechhasebak Dal President SM Jilani for Gopalganj-3, a constituency traditionally contested by Awami League President and ousted prime minister Sheikh Hasina. She had been an eight-time lawmaker from the constituency comprising Kotlipara and Tungipara – her ancestral home.

A standing committee member said the list of potential candidates was finalised considering factors such as popularity and a balance between youth and senior leaders.

After the list was announced, rallies featuring the party's electoral symbol were held in different parts of the country. Protests also broke out in several constituencies, including Madaripur, Chattogram, Kushtia and Meherpur, against the announced nominees.

To prepare the list, Tarique directed a team to conduct at least five surveys in each constituency over the past few months. He gathered inputs from them and – either personally or through standing committee members – spoke with potential candidates to resolve issues in constituencies facing internal feuds.

At a five-hour-long meeting at the Gulshan office yesterday, joined virtually by Tarique, the standing committee members spoke to divisional secretaries and distributed the list of possible candidates among them.

The secretaries gave their seat-by-seat feedback, while the members reviewed and debated potential candidates for 260 constituencies. However, as they could not reach a consensus on 23 of them, they announced a list of 237 candidates for now, party sources said.

Four candidates picked from minority communities are Gayeshwar Chandra Roy for Dhaka-3, Nitai Roy Chowdhury for Magura-2, Saching Prue Jerry for Bandarban, and Dipen Dewan for Rangamati.

Ten women have been nominated, including Khaleda Zia, Farzana Sharmin (Natore-1), Sabira Sultana (Jashore-2), Sansila Zebrin (Sherpur-1), Israt Sultana Elen Bhutto (Jhalakathi-2), Afroza Khan Rita (Manikganj-3), Sanjida Islam Tuli (Dhaka-14), Shama Obayed Islam (Faridpur-2), Tahsina Rushdir (Sylhet-2), and Nayab Yusuf (Faridpur-3).

Currently, there are 50 reserved seats for women in the Jatiya Sangsad. Under the Representation of the People Order, political parties must nominate at least five percent women candidates in direct elections, while the Election Commission requires 33 percent female representation in party committees.

Nine of the BNP's 12 standing committee members have received nominations. They are Khandaker Mosharraf Hossain (Cumilla-1), Mirza Abbas (Dhaka-8), Gayeshwar Chandra Roy, Abdul Moyeen Khan (Narsingdi-2), Amir Khosru Mahmud Chowdhury (Chattogram-10), Salahuddin Ahmed (Cox's Bazar-1), Iqbal Hasan Mahmud Tuku (Sirajganj-2), Hafiz Uddin Ahmed (Bhola-3), and AZM Zahid Hossain (Dinajpur-6).

Selima Rahman, Nazrul Islam Khan, and Jamiruddin Sircar were not nominated.

Seven of the BNP's 19 vice-chairmen were nominated – Altaf Hossain Chowdhury (Patuakhali-1), Barkat Ullah Bulu (Noakhali-3), Mohammad Shahjahan (Noakhali-4), Abdul Awal Mintoo (Feni-3), Nitai Roy Chowdhury, Kazi Shah Mofazzal Hossain Kaikobad (Cumilla-3), and Ahmed Azam Khan (Tangail-8).

At the same time, 20 of the party chairperson's advisers and three joint secretaries general were also on the party ticket.

Adviser to BNP chairperson Khandaker Abdul Moktadir was named for Sylhet-1, which has always

been the general election bellwether for parties. Every party that had won this constituency since the restoration of democracy in 1991 went on to form the government.

BNP Joint Secretary General Khairul Kabir Khokon was nominated from Narsingdi-1.

Hummam Quader Chowdhury, son of Salahuddin Quader Chowdhury, has been nominated from Chattogram-7, while Ishraque Hossain, son of former Dhaka mayor Sadeque Hossain Khoka, will contest from Dhaka-6. BNP Legal Affairs Secretary Kayser Kamal has been nominated from Netrokona-1.

Several senior party leaders and their family members have been excluded from the list.

Senior Joint Secretary General Ruhul Kabir Rizvi, Joint Secretary General Habib-un-Nabi Soheli, and newly appointed Joint Secretary General Humayun Kabir did not receive nominations.

BNP chairperson's advisers Abdus Salam, Moyazzem Hossain Alal and Aminur Rashid Yasin, and Vice Chairman Asaduzzaman Ripon were also left out.

Former reserved seat lawmaker Rumeen Farhana, who was widely discussed as a potential candidate, has not been included yet.

BNP International Affairs Secretary Nasir Uddin Asim, who earlier contested from Dhaka-10, and Robiul Islam Robi, who also ran from the same seat, were not on the list as well.

Party sources said the BNP decided not to nominate over one person from the same family. As a result, Standing Committee member Salahuddin Ahmed's wife Hasina Ahmed, Mirza Abbas's wife Afroza Abbas, and Iqbal Hasan Mahmud Tuku's wife and former lawmaker Rumana Mahmud were not nominated.

However, in constituencies where senior leaders have passed away, their sons or wives have been nominated to contest in their place, the sources added.

Bagerhat is the only district with three constituencies in which the BNP has not yet announced any candidates.

Bangladeshis getting tricked

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and carrying legitimate contracts.

However, once in Russia, their passports and phones were seized “for processing,” and they were forced to sign “voluntary service agreements” before being transported to undisclosed military sites.

Illegal trafficking also occurs. Recruiting agents here, under the pretext of high-paying jobs, send people to Russia, and hand them over to intermediaries who give them to the military as forced labourers or combatants.

The exact number of Bangladeshis involved is Russia's war is unknown. The Criminal Investigation Department (CID) estimates that around 2,000 people have travelled to Russia with work visas in recent years, alongside others who went as students or for other purposes. BRAC believes hundreds may now be in the conflict zones.

Among the deceived was Afzal Hossain Meraj, who went to Russia in August 2023 to work as a welder with a salary of Tk 70,000. He had paid Tk 6.5 lakh to a recruiting agency in Uttara, including training fees.

After four months, a broker in Russia offered him a “better opportunity”, to enlist with a Tk 26 lakh signing bonus and Tk 3.3 lakh monthly pay. Other perks included Tk 15 lakh injury compensation, and possible citizenship if Russia won the war.

Tempted, Meraj agreed, only to have his passport seized and sent to the front lines.

“We were lost and helpless when my son called me secretly on WhatsApp and IMO from the war zone. He said he could be killed at any time,” said Meraj's father, Ali Hossain.

Meraj witnessed two other Bangladeshis get killed in combat.

He got shot in the thigh in June, fled a hospital, and reached the Bangladesh embassy in Moscow,

which arranged his return in September.

“Yes, we got some money, but they sent my son to a war zone with false promises,” Ali said. “Life is more important than money.”

According to a source, recruiters lure Bangladeshis by promising they will continue doing the same jobs they were doing, just near the front line. However, after signing the contract, they are forced to take part in the war.

Not everyone was as fortunate.

Ayan Mondol from Bagerhat last contacted his family months ago, saying he was being moved toward the Ukrainian border; he is believed to have been killed in a drone strike.

Amit Barua from Cumilla was photographed wearing a Russian military uniform. He remains missing.

Mohsin Ahmed from Gafargaon, Mymensingh, also went to Russia for a welding job but was forced into the army.

The Daily Star contacted his brother, Mahfuz Ahmed. He said Mohsin was injured in a drone attack and was treated for three days and sent back to the battlefield.

On April 21, his family submitted an appeal to the foreign ministry, seeking assistance.

Mahfuz said many other Bangladeshis are still on the front lines. “It's uncertain whether my brother will be able to return. We haven't had any contact with him for months.”

He added that Russian authorities tightened surveillance after some Bangladeshi workers managed to return with travel passes.

The BRAC report said it has submitted rescue applications for victims to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and handed case files to the CID for investigation. It is also providing legal and psychosocial support to families.

The report warned that this

exposes “major weaknesses in Bangladesh's migration management system”. Without stronger oversight, legal migration routes could be exploited for trafficking and coercion, threatening the country's international reputation and future labour agreements.

Coordination between organisations and the foreign ministry remains reactive rather than preventive, it added.

Mostafizur Rahman, additional superintendent (Trafficking in Human Being) of CID, said six cases have been filed over trafficking to Russia. “Alongside legal migration, people have also been sent illegally and ended up in war zones,” he said.

“We found that at least 10 Bangladeshis were sent illegally over the last two years. Only two have returned; one remains in contact, and seven others – four to five of whom are suspected dead – are missing.”

He said, “We suspect over 30 Bangladeshis were killed in the war.”

He noted that no bodies have yet been repatriated but added that forced recruitment “almost stopped after June this year”.

Shariful Hasan, associate director of BRAC Migration Programme, said, “We still do not know how many Bangladeshis are stuck in Russia or how many have been killed. Reports of deaths keep coming from multiple sources.”

He also expressed concern that a Bangladeshi youth, using a verified Facebook account under the name Md Soheli, is encouraging others to join the Russian war effort. “Despite this, no visible action has been taken by authorities to raise awareness,” he said.

Shariful urged the government to conduct a nationwide survey to identify the missing and launch a strong awareness campaign. “If we don't act now, the cost will be more human lives.”