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Envoy wishes to see Sweden's green companies investing in Bangladesh

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The Swedish envoy in Dhaka expressed her desire to see Swedish green companies coming to Bangladesh and investing here.

Ambassador of Sweden to Bangladesh Alexandra Berg von Linde also said that Sweden was ready to facilitate the environmental goals of the Swedish companies operating in Bangladesh.

The ambassador also praised the Bangladeshi companies going green, while visiting the Gulshan office of the Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) on Wednesday.

MCCI President Md Saiful Islam, Senior Vice President Kamran T Rahman, Vice President Habibullah N Karim, members of the Board of Directors Anis A Khan and Syed Tareque Md Ali, and Secretary-General and CEO Farooq Ahmed, among others, received the ambassador, according to a press statement.

The MCCI president thanked the envoy for visiting the MCCI's office. He also appreciated the bilateral relationship between Sweden and Bangladesh and hoped it would continue to improve further.

The ambassador mentioned that the year 2022 marked the 50th anniversary of Bangladesh-Sweden relationship. Sweden had recognised Bangladesh as a sovereign nation in February 1972.

During the discussion, Ambassador Ms Alexandra Berg von Linde recalled the excellent bilateral relationship between the two countries.

The MCCI team highlighted Bangladesh's success over the years in socio-economic development.

The president recounted the country's excitement for qualifying to graduate to the developing country club in 2026. However, he was also worried about the challenges associated with a sustainable graduation.

Despite the ongoing pandemic, Bangladesh has been able to withstand the difficulties boldly due to prudent fiscal and other policy support rendered by the government during the last two years.

The president, therefore, requested for Sweden's support in Bangladesh's sustainable graduation.

The ambassador lauded the visible improvement in women empowerment in Bangladesh. She specifically mentioned female participation in the active labour market, particularly in the readymade garment sector.

Sweden saw great potential in Bangladesh's market which was reflected in the successful operations of Swedish firms in Bangladesh, including that of the clothing giant H&M.

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Swedish envoy praises Bangladeshi garment factories for going green

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Md Saiful Islam, president of the Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI), welcomes Alexandra Berg von Linde, Swedish ambassador to Bangladesh, when the later came to visit the office of the chamber in Dhaka today. Photo: MCCI

Swedish Ambassador Alexandra Berg von Linde today praised Bangladeshi companies for going green and expressed her desire to see Sweden's green companies coming to the south Asian nation.

Currently, Bangladesh is the global champion in green garment factories having 157 units with the Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design (LEED) certification given by the United States Green Building Council.

She also lauded the female participation in the active labour market, particularly in the readymade garment sector and also spoke highly of the visible improvement in women empowerment in Bangladesh.

Sweden saw great potential in Bangladesh's market, and this was reflected in the successful operations of Swedish firms in Bangladesh, including clothing giant H&M.

Linde was speaking at a meeting with Md Saiful Islam, president of the Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI), at the chamber's Gulshan office in Dhaka.

Islam recounted the country's excitement for qualifying to graduate to the developing country club in 2026.

However, he was also worried about the challenges associated with a sustainable graduation.

Despite the ongoing pandemic, Bangladesh has been able to withstand the difficulties boldly due to the prudent fiscal and other policy supports rendered by the government during the last two years.

The MCCI president requested for Sweden's support in Bangladesh's sustainable graduation.

The envoy mentioned that the year 2022 marked the 50th anniversary of Bangladesh-Sweden relationship.

Sweden had recognised Bangladesh as a sovereign nation in February 1972.

Linde also shed light on the excellent bilateral relationship between the two countries.

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Swedish envoy praises local garment factories for going green

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Alexandra Berg von Linde, Swedish ambassador to Bangladesh, yesterday praised local companies for going green and expressed her desire to see Sweden's green companies coming to the South Asian nation.

Currently, Bangladesh is the global champion in green garment factories having 157 units with the Leadership in Environmental and Energy Design (LEED) certification given by the United States Green Building Council.

The envoy was speaking at a meeting with Md Saiful Islam, president of the Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI), at the chamber's Gulshan office in Dhaka.

She also lauded female participation in the active labour market, particularly in the readymade garment sector and also spoke highly of the visible improvement in women empowerment in Bangladesh.

Sweden saw great potential in Bangladesh's market, and this was reflected in the successful operations of Swedish firms in Bangladesh, including clothing giant H&M.

Islam recounted the country's excitement for qualifying to graduate to the developing country club in 2026.

However, he also expressed worries about the challenges associated with sustainable graduation.

Despite the ongoing pandemic, Bangladesh has been able to withstand challenges boldly due to the prudent fiscal and other policy measures initiated by the government in the last two years, he said. The MCCI president requested Sweden's support in Bangladesh's sustainable graduation.

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Sweden ready to facilitate Bangladesh's environmental goals: Envoy

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The Ambassador of Sweden to Bangladesh HE Alexandra Berg von Linde has said that her country is ready to facilitate the environmental goals of the Swedish companies operating in Bangladesh.

She said this during a visit to the Gulshan office of the Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI), Dhaka on February 16.

The ambassador was received by its President, Md Saiful Islam and a few other members, said a press release.

She lauded the visible improvement in women empowerment in Bangladesh.

She specifically mentioned female participation in the active labour market, particularly in the readymade garment sector.

Sweden saw great potential in Bangladesh's market. This was reflected in the successful operations of Swedish firms in Bangladesh, including that of the clothing giant H&M.

The ambassador also praised Bangladeshi companies going green and expressed her desire to see Swedish green companies coming to Bangladesh.

The MCCI president thanked the ambassador for visiting the MCCI's office.

He appreciated the bilateral relationship between Sweden and Bangladesh and hoped it would continue to improve further.

The ambassador mentioned that the year 2022 marked the 50th anniversary of Bangladesh-Sweden relationship.

Sweden had recognized Bangladesh as a sovereign nation in February 1972. She recalled the excellent bilateral relationship between the two countries.

The MCCI team highlighted Bangladesh's success over the years in its socio-economic development.

The president recounted the country's excitement for qualifying to graduate to the developing country club in 2026.

However, he was also worried about the challenges associated with sustainable graduation.

Despite the ongoing pandemic, Bangladesh has been able to withstand the difficulties boldly due to prudent fiscal and other policy support rendered by the government during the last two years.

The President, therefore, requested Sweden's support in Bangladesh's sustainable graduation.

The MCCI President handed over a few recent publications of MCCI.

These included a copy of the Bangladesh Business Climate Index, a very recent publication that helps in assessing the country's current business situation and also promotes its 'ease of doing businesses'.

Finally, both sides unanimously agreed to have more frequent interactions and exchange of views.

Senior Vice President Kamran T Rahman, Vice President Habibullah N Karim, Board of Directors. Anis A Khan, Syed Tareque Md Ali, and the Secretary-General and CEO Farooq Ahmed were among others

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Sweden's support sought in Bangladesh's sustainable LDC graduation

The Metropolitan Chamber President made request during a meeting with the Ambassador of Sweden to Bangladesh at MCCI's Gulshan office



Photo: PR

The Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) has sought Sweden's support in Bangladesh's sustainable graduation from the least developed country (LDC) category.

At a meeting with Ambassador of Sweden to Bangladesh Alexandra Berg von Linde on Wednesday, Metropolitan Chamber President Md Saiful Islam recounted the country's excitement for qualifying to graduate to the developing country club in 2026 and expressed his worry about the challenges associated with a sustainable graduation.

The Swedish ambassador said Sweden saw great potential in Bangladesh's market, which was reflected in the successful operations of Swedish firms in Bangladesh, including the clothing giant H&M, says an MCCI press release.

She also lauded the visible improvement in women empowerment in Bangladesh, specifically female participation in the active labour market, particularly in the readymade garment sector.

The ambassador also expressed that Sweden was ready to facilitate the environmental goals of the Swedish companies operating in Bangladesh.

She also praised Bangladeshi companies going green and expressed her desire to see Swedish green companies coming to Bangladesh.

The year 2022 marked the 50th anniversary of Bangladesh-Sweden relationship. Sweden had recognised Bangladesh as a sovereign nation in February 1972.

The Swedish envoy recalled the excellent bilateral relationship between the two countries.

MCCI President Md Saiful Islam hoped the bilateral relationship between Sweden and Bangladesh would continue to improve further.

Both sides unanimously agreed to have more frequent interactions and exchange of views.

The Metropolitan Chamber President handed over a few recent publications of MCCI, including a copy of Bangladesh Business Climate Index, a very recent publication that helps promote its 'ease of doing businesses'.

Senior Vice President Kamran T Rahman, Vice President Habibullah N Karim, Board of Directors Anis A Khan, Syed Tareque Md Ali, and the Secretary-General and CEO Farooq Ahmed were also present at that time.

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MCCI seeks Swedish support in sustainable LDC graduation

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MCCI President Saiful Islam along with others welcomes Swedish Ambassador to Bangladesh Alexandra Berg von Linde at the MCCI office in Dhaka on Wednesday – Courtesy Photo

Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) has sought Sweden's support in Bangladesh's sustainable graduation from the least developed country (LDC) category.

MCCI President Md Saiful Islam made the request during a meeting with Swedish Ambassador to Bangladesh Alexandra Berg von Linde at the MCCI office in Dhaka on Wednesday, the trade body said in a statement on Thursday.

In the meeting, MCCI highlighted Bangladesh's success over the years in its socio-economic development. Saiful Islam recounted the country's excitement for qualifying to graduate to the developing country club in 2026. However, he was also worried about the challenges associated with sustainable graduation. Despite the ongoing pandemic, Bangladesh has been able to withstand the difficulties boldly due to prudent fiscal and other policy support rendered by the government during the last two years. He requested Sweden's support in Bangladesh's sustainable graduation.

Saiful Islam thanked the Ambassador for visiting the MCCI's office. He appreciated the bilateral relationship between Sweden and Bangladesh and hoped it would continue to improve further.

Ambassador Alexandra Berg von Linde mentioned that the year 2022 marked the 50th anniversary of the Bangladesh-Sweden relationship. Sweden had recognised Bangladesh as a sovereign nation in February 1972. She recalled the excellent bilateral relationship between the two countries.

Alexandra Berg von Linde lauded the visible improvement in women's empowerment in Bangladesh. She specifically mentioned female participation in the active labour market, particularly in the readymade garment sector. Sweden saw great potential in Bangladesh's market. This was reflected in the successful operations of Swedish firms in Bangladesh, including that of the clothing giant H&M.

She also said that Sweden was ready to facilitate the environmental goals of the Swedish companies operating in Bangladesh. The Ambassador praised Bangladeshi companies going green and expressed her desire to see Swedish green companies coming to Bangladesh.

Alexandra was received by MCCI President Saiful Islam and a few other members. Senior Vice President Kamran T Rahman, Vice President Habibullah N Karim, Board of Directors Anis A Khan, Syed Tareque Md. Ali, the Secretary-General, and CEO Farooq Ahmed, among others, were present at that time.

Later, the MCCI chief handed over a few recent publications of the organisation. Finally, both sides unanimously agreed to have more frequent interactions and exchange of views.

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MCCI seeks Swedish help in LDC graduation

The Swedish Ambassador lauded the visible improvement in women empowerment in Bangladesh



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President the Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) Md Saiful Islam has urged Sweden to help Bangladesh successfully face the challenges coming out of LDC graduation in 2026.

Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) president Md Saiful Islam said this when Ambassador of Sweden to Bangladesh Alexandra Berg von Linde called on him at the Gulshan office of the MCCI on Thursday.

After coming out of the LDC graduation in 2026, Bangladesh may lose tariff concession, making its products expensive and highly competitive in the EU markets.

The MCCI president highlighted Bangladesh's success over the years in its socio-economic development.

The president recounted the country's excitement for qualifying to graduate to the developing country club in 2026.

"However, we are also worried about the challenges associated with sustainable graduation. Despite the ongoing pandemic, Bangladesh has been able to withstand the difficulties boldly due to prudent fiscal and other policy support rendered by the government during the last two years. I, therefore, sought Sweden's support in Bangladesh's sustainable graduation," the MCCI president said.

The Swedish Ambassador lauded the visible improvement in women empowerment in Bangladesh. She specifically mentioned female participation in the active labour market, particularly in the readymade garment sector.

Sweden saw great potential in Bangladesh's market and this has reflected in the successful operations of Swedish firms in Bangladesh, including that of the clothing giant H&M.

The ambassador also expressed that Sweden was ready to facilitate the environmental goals of the Swedish companies operating in Bangladesh.

The ambassador also praised Bangladeshi companies going green and expressed her desire to see Swedish green companies coming to Bangladesh.

The MCCI president handed over a few recent publications of MCCI that included a copy of Bangladesh Business Climate Index, a very recent publication that helps in assessing the country's current business situation and also promotes its 'ease of doing businesses'.

Finally, both sides unanimously agreed to have more frequent interactions and exchange of views.

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The Swedish envoy in Dhaka expressed her need to see Swedish green companies coming to Bangladesh and investing right here.

Ambassador of Sweden to Bangladesh Alexandra Berg von Linde additionally stated that Sweden was prepared to facilitate the environmental targets of the Swedish companies working in Bangladesh. The ambassador additionally praised the Bangladeshi companies going green, whereas visiting the Gulshan workplace of the Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI) on Wednesday.

MCCI President Md Saiful Islam, Senior Vice President Kamran T Rahman, Vice President Habibullah N Karim, members of the Board of Directors Anis A Khan and Syed Tareque Md Ali, and Secretary-General and CEO Farooq Ahmed, amongst others, obtained the ambassador, in accordance to a press assertion.

The MCCI president thanked the envoy for visiting the MCCI's workplace. He additionally appreciated the bilateral relationship between Sweden and Bangladesh and hoped it could proceed to enhance additional.

The ambassador talked about that the yr 2022 marked the fiftieth anniversary of Bangladesh-Sweden relationship. Sweden had recognised Bangladesh as a sovereign nation in February 1972.

During the dialogue, Ambassador Ms Alexandra Berg von Linde recalled the superb bilateral relationship between the 2 international locations.

The MCCI crew highlighted Bangladesh's success over time in socio-economic improvement.

The president recounted the nation's pleasure for qualifying to graduate to the creating nation membership in 2026. However, he was additionally frightened concerning the challenges related to a sustainable commencement.

Despite the continuing pandemic, Bangladesh has been in a position to stand up to the difficulties boldly due to prudent fiscal and different coverage help rendered by the federal government over the last two years.

The president, subsequently, requested for Sweden's help in Bangladesh's sustainable commencement.

The ambassador lauded the seen enchancment in girls empowerment in Bangladesh. She particularly talked about feminine participation in the lively labour market, significantly in the readymade garment sector.

Sweden noticed nice potential in Bangladesh's market which was mirrored in the profitable operations of Swedish companies in Bangladesh, together with that of the clothes big H&M.

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সুইডেনের রাষ্ট্রদূতের এমসিসিআই অফিস পরিদর্শন

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বাংলাদেশে নিযুক্ত সুইডেনের রাষ্ট্রদূত এইচ.ই. মিসেস আলেকজান্দ্রা বার্গ ফন লিন্ডে বুধবার (১৬ ফেব্রুয়ারি) মেট্রোপলিটন চেম্বার অব কমার্স অ্যান্ড ইন্ডাস্ট্রির গুলশান অফিস পরিদর্শন করেন। এমসিসিআই সভাপতি মো. সাইফুল ইসলামসহ অন্য সদস্যরা রাষ্ট্রদূত আলেকজান্দ্রা বার্গ ফন লিন্ডেকে স্বাগত জানান। এ সময় উপস্থিত ছিলেন সিনিয়র ভাইস প্রেসিডেন্ট কামরান টি. রহমান, ভাইস প্রেসিডেন্ট হাবিবুল্লাহ এন. করিম, পরিচালনা পর্ষদ আনিস এ খান, সৈয়দ তারেক মো. আলী, মহাসচিব এবং সিইও ফারুক আহমেদ প্রমুখ। এমসিসিআই সভাপতি অফিসে আসার জন্য রাষ্ট্রদূতকে ধন্যবাদ জানান। তিনি সুইডেন ও বাংলাদেশের মধ্যে দ্বিপক্ষীয় সম্পর্কের প্রশংসা করেন এবং আশা প্রকাশ করেন, এ সম্পর্ক আরও উন্নত হবে। রাষ্ট্রদূত আলেকজান্দ্রা বার্গ ফন লিন্ডে বলেন, ২০২২ সাল বাংলাদেশ-সুইডেন সম্পর্কের ৫০ বছর পূর্তি হচ্ছে। ১৯৭২ সালের ফেব্রুয়ারিতে সুইডেন বাংলাদেশকে একটি সার্বভৌম রাষ্ট্র হিসেবে স্বীকৃতি দেয়। তিনি দুই দেশের মধ্যে চমৎকার দ্বিপক্ষীয় সম্পর্কের কথা স্মরণ করে এ সম্পর্ক আরও এন্নত হবে বলে আশা প্রকাশ করেন।

এমসিসিআই সভাপতি আর্থ-সামাজিক উন্নয়নে বাংলাদেশের সাফল্য তুলে ধরেন। তিনি বাংলাদেশের টেকসই উন্নয়নে সুইডেনের সহায়তা কামনা করেন। রাষ্ট্রদূত বাংলাদেশে নারীর ক্ষমতায়নে দৃশ্যমান উন্নতির প্রশংসা করেন। তিনি বিশেষভাবে সক্রিয় শ্রমবাজারে বিশেষ করে তৈরি পোশাক খাতে নারীদের অংশগ্রহণের কথা উল্লেখ করেন। -সংবাদ বিজ্ঞপ্তি

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সম্প্রতি বাংলাদেশে নিযুক্ত সুইডেনের রাষ্ট্রদূত আলেকজান্দ্রা বার্গ ফন লিন্ডে মেট্রোপলিটন চেম্বার অব কমার্স ইন্ডাস্ট্রির (এমসিসিআই) কার্যালয় পরিদর্শন করেছেন। এ সময় তাকে স্বাগত জানান এমসিসিআই প্রেসিডেন্ট মো. সাইফুল ইসলাম। এ সময় আরো উপস্থিত ছিলেন এমসিসিআইয়ের সিনিয়র ভাইস প্রেসিডেন্ট কামরান টি রহমান, ভাইস প্রেসিডেন্ট হাবিবুল্লাহ এন করিম; বোর্ড অব ডিরেক্টরসের সদস্য—আনিস এ খান, সৈয়দ তারেক মো. আলী এবং সেক্রেটারি জেনারেল ও সিইও ফারুক আহমেদ প্রমুখ। এ সময় এমসিসিআই সভাপতি রাষ্ট্রদূতকে ধন্যবাদ জানান এবং বাংলাদেশের সঙ্গে সুইডেনের কূটনৈতিক সুসম্পর্কের কথা তুলে ধরেন। এ সময় রাষ্ট্রদূত বাংলাদেশে নারীর ক্ষমতায়নের ব্যাপারে দৃশ্যমান অগ্রগতি সম্পর্কে প্রশংসা করেন, বিশেষ করে শ্রমবাজারে দেশীয় নারীদের অংশগ্রহণের কথা উল্লেখ করেন। এ সময় বাংলাদেশে সুইডিশ কোম্পানিগুলোর ভালো বিনিয়োগ সম্ভাবনা আছে বলেও জানান তিনি। পাশাপাশি বাংলাদেশে কার্যক্রম পরিচালনা করছে এমন সুইডিশ কোম্পানিগুলোর সবুজায়ন লক্ষ্যমাত্রা অর্জনে সুইডেন সরকারের সহযোগিতার কথা উল্লেখ করেন আলেকজান্দ্রা বার্গ ফন লিন্ডে। রাষ্ট্রদূত আশা করেন ভবিষ্যতে সুইডিশ গ্রিন কোম্পানিগুলো বাংলাদেশে তাদের কার্যক্রম পরিচালনা করবে। —বিজ্ঞপ্তি