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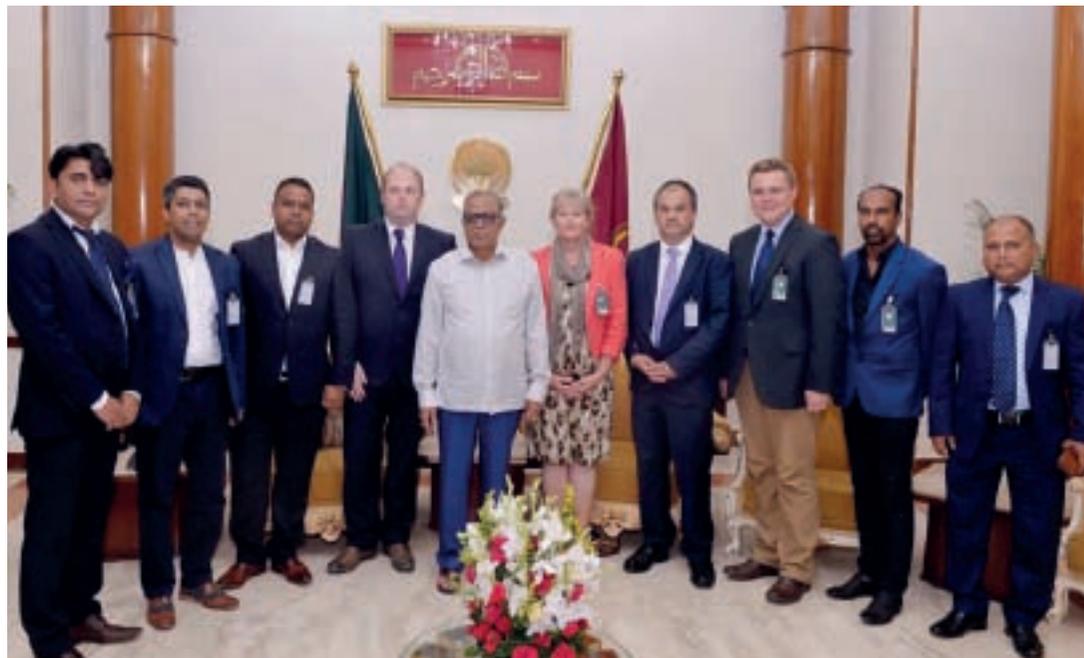


Welcome

We are looking forward to visiting Bangladesh again, it will be our fifth Project Shapla trip to the country with the Conservative Friends of Bangladesh (CFoB) since the group's formation in 2006.

CFoB was established to build new relationships with Bangladeshis, both in the United Kingdom and in Bangladesh, and we strive to further ties between the two countries for our mutual interest.

uring our trip, we will be visiting incredibly important projects of BRAC, Oxfam and London Tigers which are improving the lives of the people living in Dhaka and Sylhet.



We plan to visit health, education and sporting projects during the week. We will also pay a visit to the LEEDO peace home which has given a home to over 2,000 street children in Dhaka over the last four years.

Some of the children from that home came to visit us in Parliament in May of this year so it will be great to see them again.

We also plan on helping with a local river clean-up project in Sylhet.

The visit will end with a Global Britain theme meeting senior members of the Bangladesh Government and Business Leaders.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our generous sponsors for their support, their help has been vital and has made this trip possible. We would also like to thank the Bangladesh High Commissioner in London and the Bangladesh Prime Minister's office and Foreign Ministry for their help in organising this trip.

We are certain it will be one of our best visits yet!

Anne Main MP
President

Mehfuz Ahmed
Chairman

Our aim is to promote the culture, successes and values of British Bangladeshis and advocate closer relations between the Conservative Party, the British Bangladeshi community and Bangladesh.

The Rt Hon Boris Johnson MP

Prime Minister and Leader of the Conservative Party

I am delighted to send my best wishes to everyone supporting Project Shapla this year, along with my thanks to Conservative Friends of Bangladesh for organising this fantastic initiative.

CFoB do a great job in linking Conservative parliamentarians, candidates and activists with Bangladesh. In doing so you are helping to strengthen the enduring relationship between the UK and Bangladesh – a relationship that is rooted in our historic ties, shared values and common goals.

As Prime Minister, I want the UK to renew our friendships with our allies around the world. Bangladesh is an important trading partner and I hope we can build an even stronger relationship following our departure from the EU.

The CFoB volunteers taking part in Project Shapla are exemplifying the outward-looking spirit that has always been a hallmark of our country. That spirit was seen in the generosity of the British public's response to the humanitarian crisis facing the Rohingya community, and I am proud of the extensive work that the UK Government has done to deliver vital assistance to refugees in Bangladesh, including the considerable amount of aid we have provided.

Thank you again to CFoB – and best wishes to everyone involved in this excellent project.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Boris Johnson".



Rt. Hon James Cleverly MP

Conservative Party Chairman

I am delighted that the Conservative Friends of Bangladesh are undertaking their 5th Social Action project in Bangladesh.

In 2017 I was proud to see Project Shapla as the first visit of British Parliamentarians to the Rohingya refugee camps - they moved the dial in bringing more support. That those MPs were Conservative was testament to the compassion that is at the heart of our Party, but also the passion of Conservative Friends of Bangladesh to do good - notably the donors behind the trip and the group's Chairman Mehruz Ahmed - who has shown fine dedication.

I give all my best wishes that Project Shapla will be a great example of how a Party link group can also contribute to conversations on aid and trade. Whilst you are visiting a great trading partner of the UK and one of the fastest growing economies in the world, you are also visiting a place of great people in great need.

For the last 13 years, Conservative Friends of Bangladesh have set a fine of example reflecting the values of the Conservative Party and the British Bangladeshi diaspora. As such it is an honour that your group is serving the Party and both the UK and Bangladesh with Project Shapla.

Rt Hon Nicky Morgan MP

I want to wish everyone taking part in the 2019 Project Shapla the very best of luck. I believe you will have a fabulous time completing important social action projects which make a real positive difference to the communities involved, and also seeing the wonderful country of Bangladesh.

The links between the UK and Bangladesh run deep and are enhanced by the dedicated work

of the Conservative Friends of Bangladesh team.

I loved taking part in Project Maja in 2011 and I look forward to hearing about your experiences.

Patron, Conservative Friends of Bangladesh & Secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport



Muquim Ahmed

Honorary Patron, CFoB

In this turmoil of Brexit impasse Project Shapla is trying to sought the tranquillity and equilibrium in a small way by balancing the continuity of helping the needy through this worthwhile project. Project Shapla has come a long way from year 2011 till to date with the help of the Parliamentarians, the donors and the CFoB official to carry on with this standalone social project from our International Development Initiative - for eradication of extreme poverty, tackling the global challenges of modern times and leaving a lasting legacy.

Our mission is complementary to those of the International Development initiative limited to Bangladesh and focused to improve the subjects' quality of life through education, awareness, health and hygiene, sports and activities. We are grateful to the Parliamentarians specifically to our President Anne Main who has relentlessly persuaded this social



initiative. It will not be out of context to acknowledge that British Parliamentarian, especially the Member of Parliament who visited Cox's Bazar played a huge role in drawing the attention of the world to the cataclysm that befall the Rohingans of Burma.

This journey to Bangladesh will encompass our commitment that we will stand by and continue even though we have so much uncertainty and political upheaval at home.

Wishing CFoB, the chairman Mehruz Ahmed and vice chairman Abdus Hamid and officials for their hard work to continue their effort in implementing the continuity of this initiative.

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SALIM CHOWDHURY



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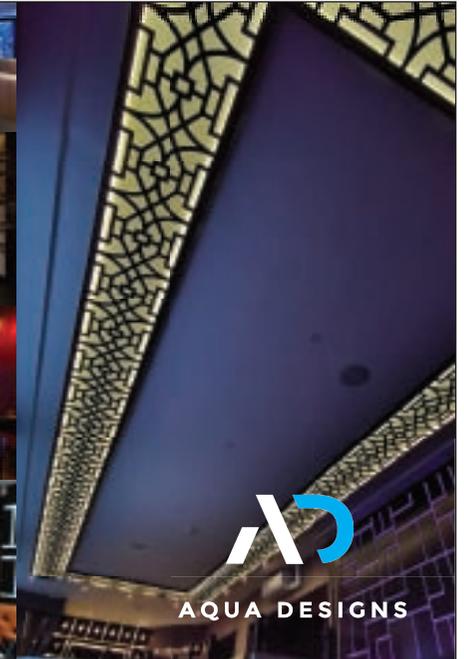
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Getting involved in Project Shapla, the philanthropic and charitable window of the CFoB, has proved a real eye-opener for me. It was perhaps the first time I have experienced first-hand the plight of the underprivileged children and elderly people of Bangladesh who have fallen through the social safety net.

Naz Islam
General Secretary



2015





Social Action - Project Shapla 2017



"In 2017 CFoB undertook its 4th visit to Bangladesh accompanied by a group of MP's and Conservative Party volunteers.

We continued our commitment to Bangladesh to build on relations between Conservative Party and Bangladesh through social action philanthropy.

We have long established partnership with London Tigers and BRAC and last year we were able to revisit Health, Education and Sports projects in Sylhet and Dhaka."

Abdus Hamid
Deputy Chairman







Kutupalong and Balukhali Refugee Camps - 2017

"In 2017 CFOB volunteers visited the Rohingya crisis at the refugee camps. The Bangladesh Government facilitated the two-day visit. Volunteers and MP's Anne Main, Paul Scully, Will Quince and Amjad Bashir MEP saw the harrowing situation faced by the Rohingya.

The scale of the crisis experienced, first hand moved us all."

Parveen Hassan - Vice Chairman







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