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<i>Statement provided by:</i> Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS)	
<i>Statement:</i> Generally, Bangladesh endorses recommendations for new international migration standards. The proposed new elements, as applied to statistics, would significantly enhance the usability of the data. However, as it comes to the harmonization of definitions between the UN population and housing statistical standards and the proposed framework on international migration and mobility, both standards have an explicit focus on primary data sources such as household surveys.  Bangladesh is happy to inform the forum that Bangladesh Bureau of Statistics (BBS), the National Statistics Office of the country, with financial and technical assistance from the International Labour Organization (ILO) has conducted the Cost of Migration Survey 2020, the first time ever comprehensive survey that deals with the recruitment cost and monthly earnings and socioeconomic conditions, migrants' profile, cost of recruitment, sources of information on job prospective, how to access loan as well as re-payment information, and their current monthly income. The information is segregated by gender, age, literacy, major destination countries as well as various skills of the respondents.  Detailed information on the socioeconomic characteristics of migrant household, demographic profile of migrants, recruitment cost by categories, borrowing information and modality of re-payment, source of information and accessing jobs, salary and wages earned in the country of destination and working environment of the migrants has been collected from representative sample of eight thousand migrant households. The information will be utilized to produce gender disaggregated national level estimates with breakdowns in terms of gender, major countries of destination and types of skills required for overseas jobs.	
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