

49th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference Information Circular No. 2

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1. WELCOME

The CPA Bangladesh Branch extends a very warm welcome to all Delegates, Observers and Accompanying persons attending the 49th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference, from 4-12 October 2003, in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

2. ARRIVAL

Members of the Executive Committee and Members of the Small Countries are kindly requested to arrive in Bangladesh on Saturday 4th October to attend the Conference. Members of the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarian (CWP) Steering Committee are requested to arrive on Sunday 5th October. Delegates, Observers and Accompanying persons are advised to arrive in Bangladesh on Monday, 6th October 2003. The Host Branch will welcome the participants at Zia International Airport, Dhaka during arrival. A shuttle bus service will be available from Zia International Airport to the hotels. Delegates are requested to identify themselves to the Host Branch Conference staff who will display 'CPA' Marked sign. Delegates, Observers and Accompanying persons unable to obtain Visas prior to departure from their home countries will be given Gratis Visas on arrival at Zia International Airport attending the 49th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference. (See appendix-A)

3. CONFERENCE DATES

Meeting of the Executive Committee will take place from 5-6 October; Meeting of the Small Countries takes place from 5-6 October and the Meeting of the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) Steering Committee will take place on 6 October. The official inauguration will be held on 7 October in Bangladesh–China Friendship Conference Centre. Plenary Sessions will be held from 7-11 October. All meetings and plenary sessions will be held in Dhaka.

4. CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

The detailed programme is given below:

**49th COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE
DHAKA, BANGLADESH
4-12 OCTOBER 2003
DRAFT PROGRAMME**

SATURDAY, 4 OCTOBER

- 09.00 Meeting of the Working Party at the Pan-Pacific Sonargaon Hotel
- 13.00 Lunch at the Pan-Pacific Sonargaon Hotel
- All Day Arrival of the Executive Committee Members and Small Countries Delegates
- 19.00 Welcome Dinner hosted by the Hon. Speaker of Bangladesh Parliament and the President of the CPA

SUNDAY, 5 OCTOBER

- 09.00 Opening of the Small Countries Conference at the Hotel Sheraton
- 11.30 Meeting of the Executive Committee at the Pan-Pacific Sonargaon Hotel
- Meeting of the Small Countries Conference at the Hotel Sheraton
- 13.00 Lunch at Hotel Sheraton
- 14.00 Meeting of the Executive Committee continue at the Pan-Pacific Sonargaon Hotel
- Meeting of the Small Countries Conference continue at the Hotel Sheraton
- All Day Arrival of Members of the CWP Steering Committee
- 19.00 Dinner hosted by the Hon. Minister, Ministry of Housing and Public Works, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

MONDAY, 6 OCTOBER

- 09.30 Meeting of the Executive Committee continue at the Pan-Pacific Sonargaon Hotel
Small Countries Conference continue at the Hotel Sheraton
Meeting of the CWP Steering Committee at the Pan-Pacific Sonargaon Hotel
- 13.00 Lunch at Hotels
- 14.00 Meeting of the CWP Steering Committee continue at the Pan-Pacific Sonargaon Hotel
- All Day Arrival of Delegates, Observers etc.

FREE EVENING

- 19.00 Dinner in honour of the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians, Spouses and other Women participants and Lady Officials hosted by the Hon. Minister, Ministry of Women and Children Affairs, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and Chairperson of the CWP Steering Committee; and
Dinner in honour of all other participants hosted by the Hon. Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

TUESDAY, 7 OCTOBER

- 09.00 Briefing for workshops (Moderators, Discussion Leaders, Rapporteurs and Session Secretaries)
- 10.00 General Briefing for Delegates, Observers and Secretaries
Briefing for Spouses
- 10.30 Tea/Coffee Break
- 11.30 Official Inauguration of the 49th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference by the Hon. Prime Minister, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the Vice-Patron of the CPA, H.E. Begum Khaleda Zia, MP at BCF Conference Centre.
- 12.30 Lunch at BCF Conference Centre
- 14.00 Regional Group Meetings
- 15.30 Addresses by the CPA Secretary-General and Commonwealth Secretary-General followed by Question and Answer Session.

- 19.00 Dinner in honour of the CPA Executive Committee Members, Delegates, Observers, Spouses, Commonwealth Secretary -General, Officials of the CPA Headquarters and other invited guests, hosted by the Hon. Prime Minister, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the Vice -Patron of the CPA, H.E. Begum Khaleda Zia, MP at BCF Conference Centre.

WEDNESDAY, 8 OCTOBER

- Tour: All Day Tour
- 08.00 Leave Hotels
- 08.30 River Cruise
Lunch on board
- 16.30 Return to Hotels
- 17.00 Meeting of the Regional Secretaries at the Pan-Pacific Sonargaon Hotel
- 18.00 Reception for Clerks-at-the Table and Secretary to Delegations by the CPA Secretary General
- 19.00 Different Dinners:
- a) Dinner in honour of the Executive Committee Members, Presiding Officers and Head of Delegations hosted by the Hon. Speaker of Bangladesh Parliament and the President of the CPA ;
 - b) Dinner in honour of other participants (except Clerks -at-the Table/Secretary to Delegations) hosted by the Hon. Deputy Speaker of Bangladesh Parliament; and
 - c) Dinner in honour of Clerks/Secretary to Delegations by the Secretary of Bangladesh Parliament.

THURSDAY, 9 OCTOBER

- 09.00 First Plenary
Meeting of the Society of Clerks at-the-Table
- 10.45 Workshops (A, B & C)
Meeting of the Society of Clerks at-the-Table continued
- 12.45 Lunch hosted by Hon Minister, Ministry of Forest and Environment **Vanue:** BCF Conference Centre
- 14.00 First Plenary continued
Meeting of the Society of Clerks at-the-Table continued
- 15.45-18.00 Workshops (D, E & F)
- 19.00 Dinner hosted by the Hon. Minister, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

FRIDAY, 10 OCTOBER

- 08.00-10.00 CWP Business Meeting, at the Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre
Meeting of the Society of Clerks at-the-Table continued
- 10.15 Plenary Session on “*Partnerships in Nation Building: the role of Women Parliamentarians in achieving the Millennium Development Goals*”
- 12.00 Prayer and Lunch break
- 14.15 General Assembly
- 17.15 Reception hosted by the Hon. President of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh, H.E. Professor Dr. Iajuddin Ahmed for all Conference participants and invited guests
- 19.00 Dinner hosted by the Hon. Minister, Ministry of Communication, Government of the People’s Republic of Bangladesh.

SATURDAY, 11 OCTOBER

- 08.00 Visit the National Martyrs Memorial Monument at Savar by the Executive Committee Members, Presiding Officers and Head of Delegations
- 10.00 Final Plenary
- 12.00 Closing Ceremony
- 13.00 Lunch hosted by Hon Minister, Ministry of Finance and Planning
Venue: Hotel Sheraton
- 15.00 Meeting of the new Executive Committee
Parliament visit for Delegates, Observers, Clerks at-the-Table, Secretary to Delegations, Spouses etc.
- 16.00 Reception by the Hon. Mayor, Dhaka City Corporation, at the South Plaza, Bangladesh Parliament.
- 19.00 Farewell Dinner hosted by the Hon. Speaker of Bangladesh Parliament and the President of the CPA

SUNDAY, 12 OCTOBER

- ALL DAY Departures

5. ACCOMPANYING PERSON/SPOUSE TOUR PROGRAMME

5-11 October 2003

Date	Time	Programme
05 Oct. 2003	15.00	Dhaka City tour
06 Oct. 2003	09.00	Visit to Lalbag fort, Dhaka; Export Processing Zone (EPZ), Savar
	13.00	Lunch
		Free evening for Shopping
07 Oct. 2003		Attend the Conference Programmes
	12.30	Lunch at the Pan-Pacific Sonargaon Hotel
		Free evening for Shopping
08 Oct. 2003	8.30	River Cruise
		Lunch on Board
09 Oct. 2003	8.30	Visit to Jamuna Bridge, Tangail
	13.00	Lunch hosted at Jamuna Bridge site
10 Oct. 2003	09.00	Visit to Jamdani Palli in Rupganj and Karushilpa Museum, Sonargaon
	13.00	Lunch at Museum Compound hosted by Hon. State Minister, Ministry of Liberation War Affairs.
	17.15	Reception hosted by the Hon. President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, H.E. Professor Dr. Iajuddin Ahmed for all Conference participants and invited guests
11 Oct. 2003	09.00	Visit to the National Martyrs Memorial Monument at Savar, Pottery, Brass and Bell metals Centre at Dhamrai, Monno Ceramic Factory, Dhamrai, Dhaka
	13.00	Lunch at Monno Ceramic Factory, Dhamrai
	15.00	Visit Bangladesh Parliament
	16.00	Reception by the Hon. Mayor, Dhaka City Corporation at the South Plaza, Bangladesh Parliament

6. CONFERENCE PLENARY SESSIONS VENUE

Bangladesh-China Friendship Conference Centre, Dhaka.

7. GENERAL INFORMATION

7.1 Registration

After arrival in Bangladesh participants are requested to register their names at the registration desk of the respective hotels all day. After registration participants will be given conference bags containing all relevant documents for the Conference (Biography Booklet, Conference Handbook, Badges etc).

7.2 Luggage

For security reasons and quick delivery, Delegates are requested to affix the enclosed conference baggage tag to their luggage prior to arrival in Bangladesh.

7.3 Conference Website and E-mail

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7.5 Information Desk

Information Desks will be at the Airport, respective Hotels and Conference Centre.

8. TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

8.1 Flight Confirmation

Participants are requested to reconfirm their flight details through the respective airlines. Name of some airline agencies are given below:

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|---|--|
| a) Biman Bangladesh Airlines (BG) | ' 9560151-55, 9119995,
Fax: 9565261 |
| b) Aeroflot Russian International Airlines (SU) | ' 9559930, Fax-9563787 |
| c) Gulf Air (BD) | ' 9130123-4, Fax-9131316 |
| d) Indian Airlines (IC) | ' 9111915 |
| e) Thai Airways International Ltd. (TG) | ' 8314711-8, Fax-8322353 |
| f) British Airways (BA) | ' 8815111-5 |
| g) Singapore Airlines (SQ) | ' 8811504-8, Fax-8811503 |
| h) Saudi Arabian Airlines (SV) | ' 8116856-60 |
| i) Malaysian Airlines System (MH) | ' 9888211, Fax-9890478 |
| j) Emirates (EK) | ' 9885576 |

8.2 *Ground Transportation*

The Host Branch will provide transport facilities for Delegates, Observers and Accompanying persons for the 49th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference. This includes transportation from the airport to respective hotels and to Conference Centre during 49th CPA Conference. The Host Branch will also provide transport facilities during tours and social programmes for all Delegates, Observers and Accompanying persons.

8.3 *Payment*

Bangladesh Branch will pay for:

Inland transport, accommodation expenses (including bed and breakfast) and dinner in their hotels on production of meal vouchers provided if there is no official dinner. Participants are kindly requested to attend the lunches and dinners in accordance with the official programme cordially.

Bangladesh Branch will **not pay** for:

- ⇒ Any internal flight arrangement instead of the official programme
- ⇒ Private entertainment
- ⇒ Drinks (except at official functions) and contents in the mini-bar at the hotels
- ⇒ Bar charges
- ⇒ Laundry and dry cleaning
- ⇒ Telephone, fax, telex, internet, e-mail or cable charges
- ⇒ Medical treatment (emergency medical services will be available at the conference centre and hotels)
- ⇒ Personal insurance
- ⇒ Airport taxes
- ⇒ Room service
- ⇒ Meals taken from hotels or restaurants (except during official programme)

Participants are requested to check their personal accounts status regularly at hotels and settle the balance with hotel due before their departure.

8.4 *Delegates*

Delegates are requested to settle personal expenses incurred during the conference and tours.

8.5 Observers

The Observers' fee of US\$ 3000 has to be paid at the time of registration at the registration desk in hotels. Observers are requested to attend in all meetings. Observers are also requested to have badges at all times to ensure access to any programme of the Conference. No children of any age will be allowed.

8.6 Accompanying Person/Spouse

Fee amounting to US \$ 1000 for accompanying person/spouses have to be paid at the time of registration at the registration desk in hotels to cover expenses for meals, social functions and tours. A separate programme for Accompanying persons has been arranged. Accompanying persons are requested to wear badges on their person at all times to ensure access to any of the arranged programme.

8.7 Members of the Society of Clerk

Members of the Society of Clerk, who have entitlement to attend the entire conference along with the Society of Clerks meeting, will not pay any fee. For the members who have no entitlement to attend the entire CPA Conference or the Society of Clerks meeting, will have to pay a full Observer Fee of US\$3000 for entire Conference and reduced Observer Fee of US\$1500 for the Society of Clerks meeting only. If anybody is accompanied by spouse he or she will have to pay US\$ 1000 for entire Conference and US\$ 500 for the Society of Clerks meeting only.

8.8 Payment of Fees

Accompanying persons and Observers fee should be paid in US dollar. Personal cheques and Credit cards will not be acceptable. Enquiries regarding payment for fees should be directed to the conference coordinator.

8.9 Accident, Medical and Luggage Insurance

Personal accidents, medical care, luggage and currency loss will be the liability of individual participant. All participants are advised to take out appropriate insurance to cover expenses arising from accident or illness requiring treatment or hospitalization. The Bangladesh Branch is unable to accept the liability for any loss or damage to luggage and personal effects or any medical costs incurred.

8.10 Incidental Cost

Participants will be responsible for all other incidental cost of hotels during the conference i.e. telephone calls, fax charges, laundry services, alcoholic beverages, mini-bar etc.

9. CONFERENCE INFORMATION AND SUPPORT FACILITIES

9.1 Documentation

Papers relating to the conference, including papers issued by the CPA Secretariat, London will be given at registration desk.

9.2 Briefing Sessions

Briefing Sessions for participants will be held before the start of the conference. There will also be a briefing for Accompanying persons.

9.3 Internet Centre

Host Branch will provide a number of computers at the Internet Centre to allow access to e-mail and the Internet. The Internet Centre will be located at the conference venue. Participants may avail it free of charge.

9.4 Identification and Badges

For security reasons, all participants are required to wear identification badges during working sessions and at social functions.

The badges are colour-coded as follows:

Accompanying persons	: Pink
Conference Staff	: Navy blue
CPA Secretariat London	: Orange
Delegate	: Green
Delegation Secretary	: Yellow
Diplomatic corps	: Violet
Executive Members	: Gold
Host Branch	: Light blue
Observer	: Brown
Media	: Black
Society of Clerks	: Grey
Security	: Red
Laborer	: Blue
Transport	: Blue

9.5 *Social Functions*

Identification badges must be worn to all official and social events. This will allow unhindered access and avoid delays and embarrassment on arrival.

9.6 *Medical Facilities*

A team of registered practitioners will be available during the conferences at Dhaka. However, illness requiring medical treatment or hospitalization is the liability of individual participants. Participants taking medication should therefore bring enough medicine for their needs.

10. TRAVELLERS' TIPS AND INFORMATION

10.1 *What to pack*

October is the onset of winter season in Bangladesh. Temperature will be moderate cool in that time. Cotton, rather than synthetic, clothing is recommended. Light clothing is recommended in the middle of the day, and a sweater or jacket for evening and early morning.

10.2 *Climate*

Bangladesh enjoys a sub-tropical monsoon climate. The temperature is equable and moderate. The minimum and maximum temperature at Dhaka and its surrounding in the month of October varies from 23.7⁰C to 30.8⁰C. Humidity in that month is 81%. At the time of conference (October 4-12) monsoon may remain less active. The sun will rise at 6-02 am and will set at 5-48 pm. The Bangladesh Standard Time (BST) is calculated as GMT+6.

10.3 *Area and Population*

Area of Bangladesh is 1, 47,570 Sq. km. and population is 123.1 million, with an annual growth rate of about 1.47 percent. The population density is 834 people per square kilometer.

10.4 *Language*

Bangla is the official language; however English is also used in the official and international business purposes in Bangladesh.

10.5 *Drinking Water*

Bottled water is safe for drinking. Tap water is not always safe.

10.6 Banking

Bangladesh has quality banking services, comparable with best practice anywhere in the region and the rest of the world. Traveller's Cheques and other foreign currencies can be exchanged at most of the commercial banks during normal banking hours (09:00-14:30) from Saturday to Wednesday and (09:00-12:00) on Thursday. Friday is the official holiday. Traveller's Cheques and other foreign currencies can also be exchanged at Zia International Airport round the clock.

10.7 Currency

Foreign currency exchange facility is available in Banks at Hotels and at the Conference Centre. Other commercial Banks are also available for exchange of currency. The Bangladesh currency is called Taka. The available currency notes are- Tk. 500, Tk. 100, Tk. 50, Tk. 20, Tk. 10, Tk. 5, Tk. 2 & Tk. 1. Coins of Tk. 5 & Tk.1 are also available.

10.8 Traveller's Cheques/Credit Cards

Traveller's Cheque/Credit Cards may be encashed at the Commercial Banks and at Hotels.

10.9 Electrical Appliances

All electrical appliances run on 220/240 volts. Outlets are of the round/flat 3pin/2pin, 15/5 amps type.

10.10 Religion

Over 87% of the Bangladeshi population practice Islam, 10% are Hindu and rest 3% are Buddhist and Christian.

10.11 Post office facility & Card Phone

Post office facility and Card Phone will be available at the conference centre.

10.12 Laundry Services

Hotels make provision for laundry services for their customers. Arrangement can be made at the hotels on payment.

10.13 Mobile Cellular Phones

Mobile cellular telecommunication services are available in Bangladesh.

10.14 Telephone System

Bangladesh T&T Board offers a reliable and comprehensive range of communication services.

10.15 Dialing Codes

When calling from outside Bangladesh, dial your international code + Bangladesh country code 880 + area code 2 for Dhaka (omitting the 1st 0). When dialing within the same town i.e. in side Dhaka, dial customer directly.

10.16 Value Added Tax (VAT)

All goods and services are priced including VAT.

10.17 Visa Requirements

Foreign nationals traveling to Bangladesh must possess a valid passport or travel document. Visas are required for the conference participants. Bangladesh missions abroad have been advised to issue visas free of fee to the participants of the 49th CPA Conference. The participants who will not be able to collect visa for any reason, special arrangement has been made to issue Gratis Visa for them on arrival at Zia International Airport-Dhaka, Bangladesh. (See Appendix-A)

11. NAME OF BANGLADESH MISSIONS IN ABROAD

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12. LIAISON WITH HIGH COMMISSIONS IN BANGLADESH

All High Commissions in Bangladesh have been informed about the Conference. Where necessary, Branches may contact directly with their High Commissioners in Dhaka. High Commissioners have received invitation to attend the opening ceremony on 7th October 2003. Addresses and contact numbers of High Commissions resident in Dhaka are listed below:

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NIGERIA

High Commission of the Federal Republic of **Nigeria**
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SINGAPORE

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HE SR. RAM CHANDRA

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HE MR.GAMINI SARATH MUNASINGHE

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13. ACCOMMODATION

Participants will be accommodated in the following hotels.

- a. **The Pan Pacific Sonargaon Hotel,**
107, Kazi Nazrul Islam Avenue, Dhaka-1215
Tel: (+880) 2 8111005-9/8112011
Fax: (+880) 2 9127029
E-mail: akalam@panpacific.com
- b. **Hotel Sheraton, Shahabag, Dhaka**
Tel: (+880) 2 8613391/8611191
Fax: (+880) 2 8312915/8312975
E-mail: busines.centre@sheraton-dhaka.com
- c. **Hotel Sarina,**
Plot # 27, Road # 17, Banani C/A, Dhaka-1213
Tel: (+880) 2 9889994, 9893288
Fax: (+880) 2 9889989
E-mail: sarina@spaninn.com

Appendix - A

শান্তি উদ্ভূত

বিদেশ বিষয় বিভাগ

Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
Ministry of Home Affairs
Immigration Section-II.

No. MHA(Dohi-II)/S-3/2003/695

Dated 20.7.2003.

Subject :- 49th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association
(C P A) Conference, which will take place
from 4-12 October, 2003.

The undersigned is directed to inform that " Gratis
On-Arrival Visa " may be issued in favour of the Partici-
pants of 49th C P A Conference to be held in Dhaka
during 4 - 12 October, 2003.

20.7.2003
(MAFRUHA SULTANA)
Senior Assistant Secretary.

1. The Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Dhaka.
2. The Director-General, Immigration and Passport, Dhaka.
3. Addl. I.O. of Police, Special Branch, Dhaka.
4. The Office-In-Charge, Via International Air Port, Dhaka.

Copy for Information to :-

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স্বাক্ষর করে: মহাপরিচালক (মিঃ),
ইমিগ্রেশন ও পাসপোর্ট,
জাতীয় সড়ক পরিবহন
বিভাগ, কার্জনিকারো রাস্তা।

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No.MOHA/Immi-2/S-3/2003/

Joint Secretary
Ministry of Home Affairs
Government of the People's Republic
of Bangladesh, Dhaka.

Dated the.....11.08.2003.....

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This is to inform all concerned that on arrival gratis visa will be issued at the port of entry to all official delegates travelling to Bangladesh to attend the '49th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Conference to be held in Dhaka from 4th to 12th October 2003. The Conference is being hosted/organized by the Bangladesh Parliament.

All concerned are requested to render assistance to the distinguished delegates to facilitate their travel to Bangladesh.

(Iqbal Uddin Ahamed Chowdhury)
Joint Secretary