

Shorab Ali Dewan Cultural Society

Youth engagement in blue economy, NDC and agenda 2030

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Respected excellence, diplomats, civil society representative and distinguished audience,

I am Md Biozid Jessorey, working with Industries Development Research Institute (An autonomous sister concern of youth lead NGO, Shorab Ali Dewan Cultural Society). I am also representing YOUNGO NDC Enhancement WG, UN YOUNGO is Children and Youth constituency to UNFCCC, YOUNGO members also play leadership role in the United Nations Major Group for Children and Youth. We are connected with youth and youth focus organizations within UN system and countries. Besides, I am commission member of IUCN and co founder of Young Professional Network in IUCN. IUCN is a membership Union composed of both government and civil society organizations. Diversity and vast expertise makes IUCN the global authority on the status of the natural world and the measures needed to safeguard it.

Bangladesh is one of the top climate effected countries in the world. I born and grew up in a southern city of Bangladesh called Khulna. My city proudly host UNESCO heritage and world largest Coastal mangrove forest Sundorban. We have natural beauty, corral island sent martin. Climate change courses coral beaching and increase risk of sea level rising. It plays impact on conservation and blue economy. Climate change is a global issue and all we are part of the same planet. So any issues in Bangladesh is connected to global ocean ecosystem. This also apply to all other issues too.

To achieve agenda 2030, youth engagement in circular blue economy is very important. Science and innovation technologies need assessments. Youth are high value potential to identify technological gaps and set priority needs to achieve NDCs. Youth actions should focus on to strengthen policies and measures aimed at improving national and regional technological capabilities and encourage innovation. Economy should redesign. We should consider human as central value other than power and money game then treat nature with same value as we do for us.

Its my great pleasure to invite you to invest in youth focus inter generational projects. My humble request is, please engage young professionals in capacity building and policy negotiation table. Youth has power and economical dynamism. Like me billions of young eyes all over the world are looking forward on your positive response soon. If you have further quires feel free to contact me. I will glad to response. A copy of my speech will upload to the website.

Thanks for your time and attention.

Md Biozid Jessorey, Executive Director

