



HLP

Convention

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Welcome Address

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COMMONWEALTH LOCAL GOVERNMENT FORUM



Welcome

Honorable Ms. Aroma Dutta, Member of Parliament, Government of Bangladesh – Guest of Honor;

Honorable Dr. Sarwar Bari, Director General (Additional Secretary), LGD – Chairperson of this session;

Honorable Mr. J. S. Saharia, IAS (Retd.), Former Election Commissioner and Chief Secretary, Government of Maharashtra, India, the Chief Guest;

On behalf of the HLP Convention organizing committee, I would like to convey my heartiest welcome to both of you.

Also, I would like to welcome all the delegates, presenters, moderators, rapporteurs and participants in this event.

Why are we here?

HLP was initiated in 2007 as a pilot in 4 sub-districts in Bangladesh. Eventually, it was expanded nationwide, and across boundaries with the help of LOGIN-Asia, CIRDAP, and APO.

HLP practitioners and colleagues interested in HLP kept demanding a learning event to learn from each other be organized.

The HLP Foundation with The Asia Foundation, RSCD, and SFIDA has organized this 3-day virtual event with support from seven partners to fulfill the demand of sector partners across boundaries.

Participants

Here, we have representatives from Bangladesh; Maharashtra, and West Bengal from India; Indonesia; Iran; Mongolia; Nepal; and Pakistan – more than 20 organizations represent these seven countries.

In this virtual event, we have a mixed audience, namely,
Member of Parliament

- Senior Bureaucrats
- Government officials
- Local government representatives
- Academicians
- Bilateral organizations, INGO, NGO, Private Sector and media representatives.

On behalf of the organizing Committee, again I would like to welcome you all.

If there are any queries

If you have any queries or suggestions, please share them through chat box with us.

We all are looking forward to an exciting and productive event.

Thanks again for joining the event.

THANK YOU